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Number 40 bus to run until March BUT OTHER LOCAL BUSES TO RUN REDUCED SERVICE BETWEEN CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR

THE Dorset County Council run No 40 bus between Bridport and Yeovil will continue to operate until March, but Beaminster Town Council is also looking at their own community transport options.

Cllr Chris Turner, chairman on Beaminster Town Council, announced at a recent town council meeting that plans are underway for a bus to run in the Beaminster area on Saturdays.

The No 40 bus – which runs between Bridport and Yeovil College from Monday to Friday – was scheduled to be in place until the end of the year, but will now run until March 29th.

First Bus' No 6 service between Bridport Hospital and Yeovil will also continue but will not run for 10 days over the Christmas period.

Cllr Daryl Turner, county council cabinet member for the natural and built environment, said: "This decision will allow time for the service 6 to settle in and for the development of a community-led transport solution."

Cllr Turner said that they currently have three volunteers willing to drive a bus around the Beaminster area – which is likely to be a hired 16-seater mini bus – who will have to undertake a mini bus driver awareness training course.

He reported that the set-up cost, with hiring a vehicle, insurance, registering the route and gaining a permit to allow them to drive a bus collecting people on route, will be between £300 to £500, but the timescale of getting the service started was still unknown.

He said: "Since it is the easiest way to get it started as soon as possible, it would have to be a timetable route."

"It could take an hour to loop through the route I am considering from Crewkerne, via Broadwindsor, via Netherbury, at least a couple of times a day here and back including Salway Ash as the end of the route for the hospital."

"If it is considered worthwhile, we would then like to transmogrify into a bus club, which is a different animal all together and is basically a type of charity, but in doing so will enable us to take a modest fee from bus pass holders."

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"The initial route unfortunately will have to take concessionary bus passes, so that means we do not get a full amount for each bus passenger, but the intention is to widen the service to the start of the day and nearer to the end of the day so to serve workers going into Bridport or Crewkerne."

Cllr Turner would like to see the service incorporate and work with the community bus project currently being planned for Bridport.

He added: "I believe it can be done and I would certainly like to see us tying in with Bridport – they are happy to co-operate with us as they have their own plans to incorporate villages."

"I hope we can coincide with whatever services they are doing and hopefully they may be able to contribute to help subsidise our service."

"I hope it will be a really cooperative arrangement."

"Hopefully the same can be done with South West Trains, maybe Crewkerne, maybe Broadwindsor might like to throw a bit into the mix

which might help to make it a bit more sustainable."

"I hope for all your support in trying to get this on the road and obviously as soon as we can."

● FIRST have announced that from Sunday, December 24th to Tuesday, January 2nd, its buses – including the X51, X53 and 6 – will operate a Saturday service.

But as the No 6 does not normally operate on a Saturday, the route will not run, but discussions between members of the Western Area Transport Action Group (WATAG) and First are continuing; members are hopeful there will be some buses between Bridport Hospital and Beaminster on December 27th, 28th and 29th.

WATAG have submitted the following to First bus: "The service was introduced in its present form in October and needs time to establish passenger goodwill."

"It is a Monday to Friday service. As a result of the decision to operate a Saturday service between Christmas and New Year, residents of Beaminster will have no usefully timed services to and from Bridport for 10 days."

"During the same period, there will be no buses to and from Bridport Hospital."

"Please can you look again at this route to see if you can make an exception to your general rule of offering a Saturday service on those days."

"I know Dorset County Council is still exploring longer term options for this corridor."

"While the present timetables are operating, there is great concern about the unreliability of connections at Beaminster between the 6 and the county council's 40 journeys."

"Stories of people stranded in Beaminster for two hours are eroding faith in the services and people are avoiding the bus because of this uncertainty."

"This does not help the sustainability of either service."

First Bus was contacted for a comment but did not respond by the time of going to press.



Christmas is here !

■ BRIDPORT town centre came alive for the annual Christmas Cheer last Wednesday. Santa Claus is pictured above arriving at the event on his sleigh, provided by the Rotary Club of Brit Valley. See pages 6 & 7 for the full story and more pictures. **Photo by TIM RUSS**

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Lottery funds benefit Dorset groups

COMMUNITY groups in West Dorset are celebrating after receiving a share of more than £5million in National Lottery Funding.

The money, raised by players for good causes, is being distributed by the Big Lottery Fund and more than 250 projects in the south west will benefit.

Chesil Bank Preschool has been awarded £4,277.29 to go towards building their capacity by extending their opening hours.

Litton Cheney Parish Council received £6,842.51 to improve the playground in the village.

The project aims to encourage children to engage in exercise and

lead a healthier lifestyle.

Mediation Dorset, which is based in Poundbury, was awarded £9,225 to train new volunteers to become community mediators, as well as to provide training for existing mediators, supporting more people to come together and resolve their issues.

Weymouth College received £9,910 to train volunteers to help their neighbours learn IT skills and reduce digital exclusion, improving access to services.

Piddle Valley First School was awarded £10,000 to create a variety of play areas for children, increasing local provision for play facilities

and supporting children's development.

Wessex 4X4 Response, which offers a variety of services to local authorities, emergency services and volunteer agencies across Dorset, Wiltshire and Avon and Somerset, received £10,000.

This will be used to purchase a trailer to offer services in extreme weather conditions.

The project aims to build capacity for the organisation and improve local services for people who live in rural isolation.

Relate Dorset and South Wiltshire, based in Poundbury, was awarded £10,000 to refurbish toilet facilities in their community

building.

The project aims to bring the facilities up to a higher standard and improve access for disabled users.

James Harcourt, England grant making director at the Big Lottery Fund, said: "We are proud to be able to distribute National Lottery money to community projects that are making a real difference across the country.

"It is amazing to see some of the incredible things people are making happen for themselves and the people around them. It really is life changing."

It only takes One Punch to devastate a life

DORSET Police are launching a 'One Punch' campaign with the release of an emotive video to highlight the consequences of confrontation and violence.

In 2016, the force dealt with almost 10,000 crimes involving violence, with four people tragically losing their lives from injuries sustained by a single punch.

Dorset Police are working with Dr Jonny Coxon on its #OnePunch campaign to highlight the dangers of being involved in violence after his brother, David Coxon, was tragically killed by a single punch while he was at a scooter rally at Sandford Holiday Park in March 2016.

David was knocked to the ground by Jason James, an amateur boxer and roofer from Newton Abbot in Devon, while the pair were visiting Dorset with other members of the Cider Commandos of Newton Abbot Scooter Club.

James initially fled the scene before returning a few hours later to hand himself into officers. Paramedics attended but sadly David was pronounced dead at the scene.

The court heard both the defendant and the victim had gone into the bushes to urinate when James 'felt something warm' on his leg and subsequently punched David. A post-mortem examination established that the cause of death was a head injury likely to have been caused by one event.

James admitted manslaughter and was sentenced to four years in prison at Winchester Crown Court in April 2016.

The #OnePunch campaign aims to encourage people who find themselves involved in a confrontation or argument to stop, think about their actions and the potential consequences and walk away.

It will include a series of videos released on social media along with bar mats and posters being given to licensed premises across Dorset to promote the campaign. Anyone arrested for common assault, actual bodily harm or grievous bodily harm will also be given a leaflet while in custody, giving them more information about how the consequences of their actions could have resulted in tragedy.

Dr Jonny Coxon, said: "Just after David died when all the tributes were coming in, I genuinely lost count of the number of times people described him as the 'gentle giant'. We chose the words on his gravestone really carefully and I think the last few sum him up really well, it finishes - big man, big laugh, big heart. That was him.

"Losing your brother is unimaginably devastating. I still get flashbacks of the last time



■ MUCH MISSED: David Coxon, left, with his brother Dr Jonny Coxon

Mum and I saw his body lying in the morgue; cold and lifeless. That's where we got to say our last goodbye.

"If this campaign can help to drive home the destruction that comes from that one moment of losing self-control - the flying fist and suddenly someone has potentially become a killer. If there is a hint of a chance that someone in that situation can remember something like this and pause, take a moment and walk away, I think lives can be changed and saved.

"We don't live in the movies and in real life, it can take just one punch and sometimes people just don't get back up."

Superintendent Jared Parkin, of Dorset Police, said: "We have been working with Dr Jonny Coxon to produce a series of videos to share over the coming weeks and I'm sure anyone watching them will get a real sense of the heartbreak and devastation this tragedy has caused the victim's family.

"A single act and that split second decision can cause devastating lasting damage to numerous lives. Last year, Dorset Police dealt with 9,868 crimes involving an element of violence, any of which could have turned deadly.

"Alcohol plays a major role in violent crime and national statistics show that 53 per cent of violent incidents involving adults were alcohol-related, most commonly involving male victims.

"At this time of the year we see more people heading out to celebrate, enjoying Christmas parties and socialising with colleagues who you often wouldn't be out drinking with. We would encourage everyone to think about their actions and how easily a momentary decision can affect the rest of your life and potentially end others."

'No Excuse' prosecution

A prolific driving offender has been handed a suspended prison sentence and driving ban for continuing to flout the law.

He is the latest of a number of motorists who have been identified by Op Dragoon as high-risk drivers by Dorset Police's No Excuse team, targeted and brought to justice.

Owen Hughes, 24, pictured, of Buttermarket in Poundbury, became an Op Dragoon target in February 2017 when he came to the attention of officers for driving without a licence.

Since then, Hughes has been convicted of a large number of offences including three offences of driving with no licence, two offences of driving while disqualified and five offences of driving without insurance as well as failing to appear at court, taking a vehicle without consent, assaulting a police officer and possession of cannabis.

He last appeared at Weymouth Magistrates' Court on November 15th. He has appeared in court on five occasions and been sentenced to a total of 12-weeks prison suspended for 12 months, disqualified from driving for a total of two years, accumulated 12 penalty points on his licence and ordered to pay a total of £1,635 in fines and court costs.

Police Sergeant Mark Farrow, of the No Excuse team, said: "Owen Hughes has continued to drive throughout the Op Dragoon process and pose a risk to other road users. Despite the best efforts of officers, he simply will not change his driving behaviour.

"We act on the intelligence from the public to help us track and convict offenders. If you know of anyone committing a driving offence, please contact police urgently so we can deal with them robustly. Call 999 if a crime is in progress, alternatively contact Dorset Police by visiting www.dorset.police.uk, via email 101@dorset.pnn.police.uk or by calling 101, or Crimestoppers on 0800 555111."

Operation Dragoon is Dorset Police's direct response to identifying and dealing with risk drivers; including those driving under the influence of drink or drugs or driving illegally or inappropriately and who pose a serious risk to themselves as well as putting other drivers' lives at risk.



Symondsbury school files complaint after latest Ofsted report demands improvement

SYMONDSBURY Primary School has raised a "serious complaint" against Ofsted following its most recent grading of 'requires improvement'.

The school, which was previously rated as 'good' in 2013, was inspected from October 31st to November 1st but says it was carried out without proper process, quality standards or effective use of evidence.

Praise is given by Ofsted for early years provision, the behaviour of children, the breadth of the curriculum and the way leadership understand, and act upon, actions needed for improvement.

The teaching of reading and maths is commended, as are the better than average results being achieved by pupils in these subjects and strong provision for children with special educational needs.

The report highlights the pupils' lack of progress and achievement in writing, inconsistency of teaching and following the school's assessment policy, as well as the teaching being too variable with pupils not being clear about learning outcomes in lessons.

Feedback from the children and parents is said to

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show they are overwhelmingly happy with the school.

The Ofsted inspection took place on the first day back after half-term and the school claims it received no formal notification that the inspection would take place.

This, alongside the inspection procedure, the way evidence was gathered and the overall judgement, are now the subject of a formal complaint.

Headteacher Emma Roberts said: "Symondsbury School genuinely welcomes scrutiny and transparency, but we are naturally surprised that unlike other schools, we received no proper warning of the inspection."

"Other standard aspects of the procedure were not carried out to usual Ofsted standards and we had a number of very serious concerns over the two days that the inspection wasn't considering the full picture at the school or all the evidence available so could not fully reflect the quality of what we deliver here."

The school's formal com-

plaint was lodged five days after the inspection and has been supported by local MP Sir Oliver Letwin, who wrote to Ofsted's chief executive about the issues raised.

Mrs Roberts added: "We were very disappointed with the judgement overall because we believe we have clear evidence that our school overall is 'good', in line with Ofsted's own published standards."

"We absolutely recognise where we need to improve and have a lot of very active plans in place to address areas for development, in particular writing, where - like many schools in Dorset - we have had difficulty in the past."

"However, we have very clear data that shows strong improvement in this area, as well as a range of evidence that tracks the effectiveness of our teaching."

"We have very positive and professional staff who are also saddened at the report's failure to fully acknowledge the work being done in our school and who naturally feel disappointed about the way in which it was handled."

"While we felt obliged to raise the complaint, and we hope this will be taken

on board by Ofsted, we are also focussing on learning from this inspection process and moving forwards."

"Our emphasis is always on our pupils, who are about to embark on a busy period of Christmas activities and celebration, and we will continue to challenge ourselves to deliver the very best teaching and learning, and the most rewarding experience for our children every day."

Chairman of governors, George Streatfeild, said: "Symondsbury School is run in such a way that we are happy to open our doors to inspection and scrutiny at any time, and we have very high standards that we set for ourselves."

"Our governors are rigorous in the scrutiny of what is going on within the school and, as such, we are totally prepared for an Ofsted inspection."

"What we were not prepared for was the way in which our recent inspection was carried out; the lack of due or fair process, the insufficient engagement with all the evidence available, including a surprisingly short amount of time being spent with pupils or in classrooms, and the inaccurate nature

of many aspects of the report."

"We want to be able to receive an Ofsted report that is a useful document for the school to act upon and use as a tool for improvement and for parents to be able to use when understanding our strengths and weaknesses."

"Sadly, we have no confidence at all in the accuracy of the judgements made about Symondsbury and we have been compelled to raise this at the very highest level through formal complaint."

"I cannot praise the staff at the school enough for the way in which they have handled this process so far, from their exceptional response to a highly irregular and unexpected Ofsted visit to their attitude towards the subsequent judgement and report."

"Parents and pupils have also been marvellous in the way they responded to the inspection."

An Ofsted spokesperson said: "While we do not comment on specific cases, any complaints about inspections are taken very seriously and will be thoroughly investigated in line with our published complaints procedure."

How to prevent crime at Christmas

BRIDPORT police will be holding a public engagement event to raise awareness of Christmas crime prevention and will provide tips to keep safe.

A spokesperson for Bridport Police said: "The Christmas period traditionally sees a significant increase in crime, so the event will focus on topics surrounding Christmas crime and also other crimes, such as telephone scams and handbag theft and the steps that can be taken to prevent it."

The event will be held on Saturday, December 16th at Morrisons between 10am and 3pm.

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WATSON MARGARET ANNIE

Passed away peacefully on 3 December 2017 at Bymead House aged 98. A memorial service will be held at St Michael the Archangel, Lyme Regis on Saturday 6th January at 11.30am. She is survived by two sons, Kevin & Graham Benfield and one step-son, Peter Watson, four grandchildren and two great grandsons. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to the PDSA. c/o A J Wakely & Sons, 7a Silver Street, Lyme Regis, Dorset DT7 3HR

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Pete and Sue Bowditch

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Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday on 14th December
Rebecca Mary Cox

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To wish James Huxter

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Problems with cancelling unwanted subscriptions

AS PART of the recent National Consumer Week, Citizens Advice highlighted the problems that many people have when they want to cancel subscriptions for services they no longer require.

It has found that often a company initially refuses to allow customers to stop paying for unwanted subscriptions like gym memberships, television, insurance and online streaming services.

Citizens Advice has warned that while it may be easy to sign up for these services, they can be difficult to get out of and have urged all consumers to make sure they are aware of the terms and conditions of any contract before agreeing to make regular payments.

It pointed out that under the Consumer Rights Act 2015, businesses are not allowed to enforce terms on consumers that are unfair and urged companies to act responsibly when customers wanted to stop making regular payment for a service they no longer require.

Citizens Advice is also very concerned about the level of overcharging for home insurance policies and says that new research it has carried out shows that charging loyal customers more than new ones is a market-wide practice.

It has found that companies often make large hikes in premiums when customers renew their policies and believe that as a result up to 13m households in the UK are probably being overcharged.

Among people over 65 around 40 per cent of them have had their home insurance policy for over five years.

This means that they could be paying 70 per cent more than a new customer would for the same policy.

For someone with the cheapest policy for buildings and contents insurance this could on average amount to an additional charge of £110 every year.

The Financial Conduct Authority produced new rules earlier this year aimed at helping con-

sumers by making it a requirement for companies to specifically inform customers when they came to renew their policy exactly what they had been charged in the previous year.

But Citizens Advice believes that many home insurance providers are not fully complying with the regulations and wants them to work with the Financial Conduct Authority to protect vulnerable people from suffering a "loyalty penalty."

Gillian Guy, the chief executive of Citizens Advice, commented: "Home insurance companies are taking advantage of people's loyalty, and it is older people who are suffering the most."

"The Financial Conduct Authority must stop home insurance providers overcharging customers. Vulnerable customers are the hardest hit and must be protected from this unfair practice."

Bridport and District Citizens Advice has ensured that all its volunteer advisers have been fully briefed on the new Universal Credit system which is being introduced in West Dorset during December.

Specialist caseworkers are being appointed so that anyone who is having problems can be advised whether they are eligible for Universal Credit and helped with making a claim.

Help can also be provided on how to apply for emergency and discretionary payments and the possibility of obtaining a charitable grant.

The offices of Citizens Advice in South Street, Bridport, are open on weekdays from 10am to 3pm and anyone is welcome to attend to obtain free, confidential and impartial advice.

It also runs sessions at St Michael's Business Centre in Lyme Regis from 10am to 3pm on Wednesdays and at the Yarn Barton Community Centre in Beaminster on Thursdays from 12.30pm to 3pm.

Over the Christmas and New Year period the offices in Bridport will be closed from midday on Friday, December 22nd and reopen at 10am on Tuesday, January 2nd.

There will be no sessions at Lyme Regis or Beaminster between Christmas and New Year.

Bridport Young Performer's Scholarship Presents

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BYPS Christmas Show next week

BRIDPORT Young Performers' Scholarship are almost ready for curtains up on this year's Christmas Show.

After last year's success of the Cliff Richard musical, *The Young Ones*, the group has decided to stick to the musical theme again this year taking on a musical version of the 90s children's TV classic 'The Demon Headmaster'.

Based on the book by Gillian Cross, the story follows brothers Lloyd and Harvey Hunter (played by Matt and Harry Lockett) and their group of school friends, self nicknamed SPLAT.

Lloyd and Harvey are introduced to Dinah Glass, their new foster sister (Chiara Sidebotham) and together with SPLAT, they team up to discover the mystery behind their demonic headmaster (Felix Jones).

With help from wacky children's TV presenter Ellie Hair (Ellie Taylor) they take on the headmaster to save their school, and the world, from his evil plot to take over the world.

As ever, all of the profits from the show will go into the Bridport Young Performers' Scholarship funds.

The funds are awarded to young local performers in the form of scholarships to go towards performance tuition in either the local community or

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towards further education up to degree level.

Scholarships are based on hours devoted to the charity, and this year's show is no exception with the biggest youth effort yet!

The cast showcases 25 local young talents under the age of 25.

The production team continues the theme with Jodie Glover, 24, taking on the role of director yet again, this year with help from Ellie Taylor, 18, as musical director and Jade Farrington making her choreographer debut at just 16-years-old.

The show will be taking place at the Bridport Arts Centre on December 17th and 18th.

Tickets cost £10 for adults and £6 for under 16s and are available from the arts centre box office in house, over the phone or online.



■ The Bridport Young Performers' Scholarship Christmas show this year will be 'The Demon Headmaster'. The cast are pictured posing as members of SPLAT as part of their rehearsals.

Charlie's shave success

CHARLIE Goodrick has raised more than £400 for Macmillan Cancer Support after he 'braved the shave' earlier this month.

The 11-year-old had his head shaved at Designer's Edge hair salon in Bridport in order to raise as much money as possible for charity and in memory of everyone who has been affected by cancer.

Charlie lost his great-granddad to cancer this year and his granny has also lived with breast cancer, so it is a cause close to the family's heart.

Charlie's mum, Jodie Goodrick, said: "When Charlie 'braved the shave', he had exceeded his target by around £250. He is yet to make a final count, but including cash donations, he has reached over £400 having had a target of £150.

"Needless to say we are incredibly proud of our boy, who sat smiling as the clippers cut through his hair.

"Watched by family and friends, it was an emotional experience and we would like to send a heartfelt thank you to Lacey from Designers Edge, who kindly agreed to shave Charlie and keep his donation box in the salon – she has been a great support.

"Also we would like to thank the staff at Woodroffe School and the Hyde (residential home) for their generosity and all our family, friends and members of the public who have donated to Macmillan Cancer Support."

Donations can still be made at <https://bravetheshave.macmillan.org.uk/shavers/charlie-goodrick>



■ Eleven-year-old Charlie Goodrick has raised more than £400 after braving the shave for Macmillan Cancer Support

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Monday 1 Jan	Wednesday 3 Jan
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Thursday 4 Jan	Saturday 6 Jan
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Christmas Cheer has town all set for festive season

RESIDENTS and visitors filled the streets of Bridport's town centre last Wednesday evening (December 6th) for the annual Christmas Cheer.

Local shops stayed open into the evening, local makers and producers showcased their gifts and crafts in the town hall, arts centre and Electric Palace, and market traders and stalls lined the streets.

Father Christmas arrived on his sleigh behind the impressive lantern parade before giving out gifts in his grotto.

Entertainment and live music was held around the town, with local school chil-

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dren singing carols and dance performances taking place in West Street.

Bridport mayor, Cllr Anne Rickard, had the honour of switching on the Christmas tree lights in Bucky Doo Square.

Daryl Chambers, chairman of Bridport Christmas Cheer committee, said: "On behalf of the committee, I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who helped to make this year's Christmas Cheer a success!

"There is an incredible amount of work that goes into running the event from a great number of people, too many to mention, but without people giving up their time, the local primary schools singing carols, musicians and dancers performing, shops staying open, market traders and craft stalls coming along – it just wouldn't happen.

"We hope everyone that came enjoyed the evening and wish you all a very happy Christmas and peaceful new year."

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Children from Loders Primary School sang Christmas carols for the crowd



Bridport mayor, Cllr Anne Rickard, welcomes Father Christmas to town



Town crier John Collingwood joined in with the Christmas celebrations



The lantern parade made its way from East Street to Bucky Doo Square



Three-year-old Esme Wood with her lantern before the parade through town

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Hat festival makes charity donations

THIS year's Bridport Hat Festival has raised nearly £3,000 for mind and head related charities.

Brain Injury Rehabilitation Trust (BIRT), Brain Tumour Research, No Limits Bridport, Brainwave and Bridport Mind Fest all benefited this year and were presented with cheques at a special celebration at The Ropemakers pub.

BIRT received £1,000 which will be used to provide rehabilitation for people with complex and challenging needs after brain injury.

Denise Greenwood from the charity said: "This money means so much. We hire a hydro-therapy pool and they all go swimming, so this will keep it going for quite a few sessions."

Brain Tumour Research, which funds research and raises awareness of brain tumours as well as providing support and information for people with brain tumours, was also awarded £1,000.

Emma Cronin, from the charity, said: "Thank you for choosing Brain Tumour Research."

"We have a national campaign called 'Wear a

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Hat Day', so we are working with a lot of fantastic hat people, and to have your event attached to our charity gives us enormous credibility, so thank you.

"Thank you so much for the support you give us, it makes a massive difference."

Organisers of Bridport Mind Fest received £250 for their event back in October.

Simon Williams, of the event, said: "Your £250 was the icing on the cake as we never expected it and we are really, really grateful to you."

"Thank you very much indeed hat festival."

No Limits Bridport, which works with people with and without learning and physical disabilities to create shows, dance and drama, performed for the hat festival this year in the Borough Gardens and received £250.

Brainwave, which helps children with disabilities and additional needs achieve greater independence, also received £250 which was collected by Phil Payne, president of

the Rotary Club of Brit Valley, as it is his chosen charity as president this year.

He said: "Our club will be adding £1,000 to this cheque and sending that off to Brainwave."

"Thank you all very much indeed for the contribution."

Bridport mayor, Cllr Anne Rickard, said: "I appreciate all the wonderful work and the charities that are supported by our hat festival, which are fantastic, but in no way does this town bring the people of this town together better than the hat festival, and that in itself I think helps all our mental health, that we can all talk to each other, we laugh with each other, we cry with each other, we get through."

"It is so inclusive; I love the fact that you can come along with a flower pot on your head or the most elaborate thing and it is equally appreciated by everybody."

"I literally do take my hat off to the organisers of this for putting it together year on year. It's probably one of my most enjoyable days of the year."



■ **CLOCKWISE (from top left):** Emma Cronin of Brain Tumour Research received a cheque for £1,000 from Brian Atkinson, hat festival committee member; Simon Williams, organiser of Bridport Mind Fest, received £250 for the festival back in October; Amy Carrington and Denise Greenwood of Brain Injury Rehabilitation Trust received a cheque for £1,000

■ **OPPOSITE PAGE:** Anna Golding of No Limits Bridport received a cheque for £250 (top); Phil Payne, president of the Rotary Club of Brit Valley, received a cheque for £250 for Brainwave, his chosen charity for the year (bottom)

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Twelfth Night music at the Town Hall

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Tickets cost £7, or £6 for members, and will include seasonal food and drink and a raffle.

For more information or to book tickets, call Sue Wilkinson on 01308 425037 or Sandra Brown on 01308 423078.



■ THE Christmas lights at 2 White Close in Bradpole have been switched on and will be raising funds for Julia's House children's hospice. The home is at the far end of Wellfields Drive and the lights will be up until January 6th. Everyone is welcome to go along to see the light display and donate to charity.

▼ A VAN that had been driven over a bank in Victoria Grove caused a road closure in the area on Wednesday, December 6th.

Dorset Police were called to the scene just before 2.30pm and closed the road for a short while.

A spokesperson for Dorset Police said: "We were called to reports of a van going over a bank."

"There were no reports of injuries and



there was a short road closure from Victoria Grove to Py-

more Road. Recovery attended and removed the vehicle."

Bridport Catholic Parish



Masses for Christmas

Christmas Eve

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Christmas Eve

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Recognition for volunteers

TWO local volunteers have been recognised and rewarded for their selfless work.

Celia Evans and Claire Briden volunteer at The Living Tree support group in Bridport and have received 'Volunteer of the Year' awards from Volunteer Centre Dorset's annual awards after being nominated by members of The Living Tree.

Every year, the centre holds an event to recognise the outstanding contribution all volunteers make, and to highlight some of those contributions made by local volunteers.

Celia and Claire help set up tables and chairs for the week's activities, make tea, lend a listening ear to members and sometimes join in with the activities before clearing up at the end of the afternoon.

Claire said: "It was lovely for them to do it, I wasn't expecting it as they didn't need to do it."

"I love coming – it is a great place to come – you learn something new every week, and it's nice to have a regular thing to come along to. I love it and have made lots of friends."



■ CELIA Evans (left) and Claire Briden (right) have been awarded 'Volunteer of the Year' from the Volunteer Centre Dorset for their work at The Living Tree in Bridport. They are pictured with Karen Jones of the Volunteer Centre Dorset.

Tree for Christmas messages of remembrance



■ A.G. Down Funeral Directors are offering the chance for those who have lost loved ones to remember them by writing a message for their memory tree

A.G. Down funeral directors, Eric, Joyce, Julian and Karen will be offering the bereaved a chance to remember their loved ones by placing a card on their memory tree again this year.

Julian said: "Losing someone you love is difficult beyond words and we are reminded of them always and cherish the precious memories we have."

"This time of year comes with so many feelings and mixed emotions, so during December we will be displaying a memory tree for those who have lost loved ones to come and place a memory card on with their personal message of remembrance."

Anyone is welcome to call in to the office in South Street, Bridport, between 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday, or call 01308 422643 or email Bridport@funeraldirectors.uk.com and a message can be written.

Stamp appeal

BRIDPORT accountants, Scott Vevers, is renewing their appeal for used stamps in support of the Royal National Institute for the Blind (RNIB).

Their appeal has been running since 2015 and they have had a great response.

Anyone who has stamps they would like to donate can drop them to the reception at 65 East Street, Bridport.

It helps to cut the stamps with a 1cm border of envelope or packaging around them as this prevents damage.

Festive delights

LOCAL specialist food and drink producers are coming together to offer Bridport an evening of culinary delights.

The WI Hall in North Street will be transformed into a market on Friday (December 15th) from 5.30pm with a pop-up restaurant overseen by Dom Brown from Bearkat.

There will be tasters and a chance to purchase from Fruits of the Earth, Wessex Wines, Mercato Italiano, Bagget and Hayes, Manna Bonbons, Shige Takezoe with his Japanese tea, Lloyd Brown, The Spice Man and more.

There will be a wine bar and live music by Tori Reed. Entrance is free.

Boxing Day swim

BRIDPORT Round Table's annual Boxing Day Swim, also known as the West Bay Wallow, returns to West Bay on December 26th.

People are encouraged to dress up in fancy dress – with prizes for the best – and brave the icy waters in the harbour, all while raising money for charity.

Participants can choose to raise money for Bridport Round Table or a charity of their choice.

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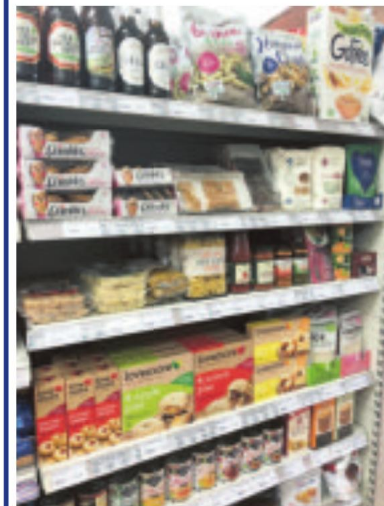
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Worries over levels of council staff morale

CONCERNS over the morale of West Dorset District Council staff and officers amid the proposed re-organisation of local government, have been raised by a Beaminster town councillor.

Cllr Robin Cheeseman shared his fears with district councillor for Beaminster, Peter Barrowcliff, at a recent town council meeting.

He said that the rationalisation of staff was causing high workloads and delays in some areas – such as planning and land charges.

He also said that amalgamating district council services with those of Weymouth & Portland Borough Council and North Dorset District Council to form a tri-council partnership – as well as the possibility of the creation of two unitary authorities in the county from 2019 – have had a negative impact.

However, Cllr Barrowcliff felt that the morale was good and there was not a morale issue.

He said: "Clearly as integration takes place – May 2019 is when it starts – then there might be rationalisation of offices or moving real estate or sharing jobs or consolidating departments, then clearly it will be a time of significant change for the staff of all the councils involved.

"Management are very clearly aware of that and they will do everything possible to manage expectations of the workforce... hopefully it won't be a painful process.

There is a lot of change coming up, which has been well signalled and I hope it is not going to be too disruptive."

Cllr Barrowcliff reported that the land charges backlog is now down 50 per cent from last year and work is ongoing to improve the waiting time and turnaround of planning applications.

Cllr Cheeseman said he didn't agree that there wasn't a morale issue at the council as he has contacts within the council.

He said: "I know they have been through an awful lot of change with the amalgamation of West Dorset and Weymouth & Portland and then joining together with North Dorset, so there has been a lot of job re-evaluation and all that sort of thing.

"So I know that morale in certain areas is not as good as it might be, which I think has a dramatic effect on the productivity.

"The important thing is to sort it out and move forward and it looks as though we are going down the unitary route, which may have some benefits, but there are a lot of problems on the way and you have already got problems and I can only see it getting worse."

Cllr Barrowcliff recognised changes to the council – if the unitary authorities are adopted – will be unsettling for staff, but they will continue to deliver services in the best way they can.

Carol singing fundraiser at Groves



Children from St Mary's Primary School carol singing at Groves Nurseries in Bridport to raise money for Dorset Mind

GROVES Nurseries in Bridport has raised more than £200 for charity following a day of carol singing at the garden centre.

Five local choirs, including St Mary's Primary School, Symonds-bury Primary School, Sir John Colfox Academy, Local Vocals and Holy Trinity, entertained shoppers with carol singing to raise money for Dorset Mind, the local mental health charity that is launching its services into West Dorset.

Dee Swinton, fundraising manager for Dorset Mind, said: "It was a great day and just over £200 was raised, so we would like to thank

Groves Nurseries for arranging such a delightful event and helping us to raise funds that will go towards our plans in West Dorset.

"We will be launching a series of support services that are a mixture of talking therapies and befriending that have proved to be very successful in East Dorset."

A spokesperson for Groves Nurseries said: "There are currently few mental health services in Dorchester and West Dorset without large waiting times.

"The recent Dorset CCG (clinical commissioning group) review recommended that vital statutory ser-

vices should move eastwards.

"This means that many people in West Dorset will have little or no access to mental health services.

"This is combined with the fact that many parts of West Dorset are very rural.

"A lack of accessible help will leave people with poor mental health in a vulnerable position.

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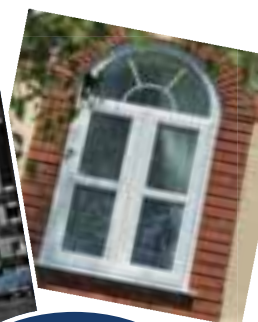
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Christmas shopping at Symondsburry

THOUSANDS of people flocked to Symondsburry Estate to enjoy the Christmas market and get some Christmas shopping done.

The annual event included dozens of local makers, food producers and charities offering a range of gift ideas and treats for the festive season.

Children were able to meet Christmas donkeys, Snow-

Lottie Welch

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drop and Smartie, while adults could enjoy a glass of mulled wine and mince pie.

Julia Butcher, head of marketing at Symondsburry Estate, said: "It was a fabulous day full of festive fun, Christmas donkeys, baby alpacas, just over 80 independent stall holders.

"Symondsburry School Choir treated us to some Christmas carols and former Symondsburry resident Sophie Bell braved the cold and sang some festive favourites for everybody.

"Our snow machine was a great hit with visitors of all ages!

"Over 5,500 visitors came so it was a very busy but fun day for all!"

■ Ines Cavill and Felix of Symondsburry Primary School, sell crafts and decorations made by the school's art club



■ Lily Jackson meeting Christmas donkeys, Snowdrop and Smartie



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SUNDAY 24th DECEMBER
4.00pm Christmas (Eve) Carol Service (followed by mince pies, tea & coffee)



■ Diane and Perry Bentley of Weldmar Hospicecare

New Year concert

ALLINGTON Strings' New Year concert, 'A Celebration of Baroque Music', will take place at the Sir John Colfox Academy on Sunday, January 14th at 3pm.

The Bach Double Violin Concerto will be performed by soloists, Wendy Stahl, local violin teacher and violinist in the group, together with star pupil Zack Chantler.

Burlesque do Quixotte lightens the mood as Telemann interprets Cervantes stories of the exploits of Don Quixote and Sancho Panza.

Concerti Grossi by Handel and Corelli provide some more traditional baroque fare before Biber's Battalia tells the story of a battle with 'dissolute, revelling musketeers' with simulated musket fire provided by the stringed instruments.

Tickets cost £10 available from Bridport Music, The Book Shop and on the door, but children under 18 are free.

Drinks and nibbles are included.

Trophies for fundraising swimmers

FOLLOWING the successful Swimarathon in October at Bridport Leisure Centre, the Lions Club of Bridport thanked and awarded those who swam and helped make the annual event a success.

The club held an awards evening at Highlands End with trophies presented by Joe Ashton, business unit manager at Amsafe.

Amsafe continues to be the main sponsor for the Swimarathon.

Rufus and Digby Lovedale of Beaminster Scouts received the President's Cup for best effort by a junior, Bridport Barracudas' Mary's Boys were awarded the Plus Shield for the highest laps by a senior team, with Bridport Barracudas' Princess B's and Cheeseey Seahorses of Salway Ash Primary School coming in joint for highest laps by a junior team and the Salway Ash team received the Primary Schools Cup.

The highest number of laps by a mixed team went to Sink or Swim of Bridport Swim School and the best effort by a youth team went to Bothenhampton Brownies' Terrific Turtles, who received the Chairman's Cup.

The award for the highest sponsorship went to West Bay Coastguard for a senior team and Parrett and Axe Primary School for a junior team.

Lion president Sheila Burton said: "The Swimarathon this year has raised more than £3,000 for the Lions, which will enable us to continue supporting individuals and groups in the community.

"We applaud the enthusiasm of all the swimmers and thank all sponsors."



■ THE Cheeseey Seahorses of Salway Ash Primary School were joint winners of the junior team with the highest lap and were awarded the Primary Schools Cup



■ THE West Bay Coastguards had the most sponsorship of a senior team

Fair exchange is a hit at LETS Christmas fair

THE West Dorset LETS annual Christmas Fair has been hailed a success as many came out to trade services and products for NETS, the local exchange currency.

LETS, or Local Exchange Trading System, is a group of people trading in an alternative currency and members were able to buy or exchange plants, jams, jewellery and pottery.

Jane Silver-Corren entertained the visitors with songs, including one about the benefits of joining the local LETS group.

A spokesperson for the group said: "The Local Exchange Trading System is a really helpful way of making ends meet whilst using your own, and others, skills and services in exchange for our particular local currency NETS which can be spent on members offers listed in our local LETS directory.

"The directory is a helpful booklet listing all the goods and services on offer.

"This system can work for everyone in the community; young and old in every walk of life.

"It is how money was originally intended to be used. No inflation, bankruptcy, no investing, you don't even need to be in credit to spend!

"Services include everything from help with DIY and child care, to language tuition, alternative therapies and actual goods to purchase.

"We have been running a successful group in Bridport for 23 years – these groups are in existence all over the world.

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Beware Christmas fraud

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Christmas can offer fraudsters increased opportunities to trick people. Unfortunately fraud is often targeted at vulnerable and elderly members of the community.

Fraudsters are cunning in their tactics and it is not always easy or obvious to tell straight away whether it is a scam. Fraud can be conducted in many ways, some of the most common are cyber-crime, telephone scams and doorstep crime such as distraction burglary and rogue traders.

Detective Inspector Neil Wright, from the Volume Crime Team, said: "One of the most important things you can do this festive period is make yourself aware of common fraud trends and then simply talk to and educate friends, relatives and neighbours, so they know how to protect themselves from becoming victims."

"People often feel embarrassed about being a victim of fraud, but there is no reason to be. It can happen to anyone as fraudsters are clever and extremely manipulative. Please ensure you report fraud or attempted scams as it helps us to understand the new trends and techniques being used by criminals so that we can work to combat them, as well as warn others before they become victims."

Action Fraud is nationally responsible for the assessment of all reports of fraud and ensures that reports reach the right place. Action Fraud should be your first point of contact if you or someone you know has been a victim. Call 0300 123 2040 or visit www.actionfraud.org.uk

Visit www.dorset.police.uk/thischristmas for fraud crime prevention information and more safety advice throughout the festive period.

Council to invest £1m in new social workers

COUNCILLORS have agreed to invest £1m to recruit an additional 20 experienced children's social workers in Dorset.

Dorset County Council needs more social workers to help reduce the number of children in care and bring down caseloads for existing staff, so they can focus more on changing families' lives.

Like most of the country, Dorset is seeing increasing demand for children's social care and is tackling this by focusing its efforts more on prevention and early help.

Members of the Cabinet agreed to fund the additional jobs. Cllr Steve Butler, Cabinet member for children's services, said: "It's right that we're investing additional money into recruiting more children's social workers. If we want to reduce the number of children going into care, we need to give our staff more time to work closely with families so they can really make a difference. The more social workers we have, the more manageable our caseloads will become, meaning there's more time to change children's lives for the better."

The council has also been



awarded £2m from the Department for Education to fund a unique learning and development programme aimed at its children's social work teams.

Called Reinvigorating Social Work, it's about helping social workers build relationships that will make a positive difference to children and families who need help.

Cllr Butler added: "Investing

time and resources into our social workers' development will mean better outcomes for children across the county – which is ultimately what this is all about."

● You can find out more about Reinvigorating Social Work and see the latest vacancies at www.dorsetforyou.com/social-work-jobs

New apprentices

DORSET County Council is set to take on six new apprentices by the end of the year as part of its drive to increase the scheme.

Already this year, 37 apprentices started with the council in a variety of roles, including jobs in highway, libraries, transport planning, administration and countryside services.

This is a 76 per cent increase in the number of apprentices working their way towards national qualifications compared to 2016, and the council expect the number to increase further over the next year as more vacancies are being turned into apprenticeships and staff are given opportunities to develop new skills.

The Government's vision is to increase the quality and quantity of apprenticeships in England to three million by 2020, and has allocated 2.5bn to achieve the goal.

The money will be spent on the training required for apprentices and should encourage employers to take on more people in jobs working towards recognised qualifications.

Deborah Croney, Cabinet member for economy, education, learning and skills, said: "Nationally there has been a sharp decline in the number of apprentices, but the council is bucking the trend and using changes introduced by the Government through the apprenticeship levy to maximise jobs and training opportunities."

"Our apprenticeship scheme offers people the opportunity to learn new skills and gain valuable work experience that they need for the future."

"Not only does it offer a clear career path to young people, but it also gives staff and adults returning to work an opportunity to change career, or progress with additional training in their chosen field."

"Our workforce is our greatest asset, and we are committed to invest and create more opportunities both for our existing staff and new people to train on the job."

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DAVID MANNERS came to art only in 2012 and despite his short time painting, his reputation for his peaceful seascapes and tranquil portraits is much sought after and growing rapidly. So much so, he has completed a portrait commission of the 2015 "Bake Off" champion Nadiya Hussain and her husband and also for the cover of a book by leading animal rights barrister, Noel Sweeney. The acclaimed artist has had the privilege of painting a portrait of President Obama and the First Lady, which he received a letter of accreditation for from the White House.

Entirely self-taught and painting only in oils, he is particularly inspired by the sea and how people and animals interact with it.

"I love the idea of the anonymous rear view portrait. The viewer can decide who the person is and where they are. I don't particularly like to have to explain what a painting is all about. I simply enjoy painting images of peace and tranquillity".

His popular style has already led him to open a gallery in Wilmington, North Carolina, another in Durango, Mexico and has had exhibitions at the Louisville Visual Art Association, Kentucky, the Beurs van Berlage, Amsterdam and in Chelsea Old Town Hall in London.

Having exhibited in the UK, Europe and the Americas, he undertakes affordable commissioned paintings of all subjects, offering a high quality framing service to suit the needs of the client and their home.

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ON THE SEVENTH DAY OF CHRISTMAS MACSORSONS GAVE TO ME SOME FRESH LOCAL FISH FOR MY CHRISTMAS TEA

MACSORSONS Fishmongers pride themselves on their locally caught fish and shellfish and owner Mark Seogalutze can often be seen, on the Cobb at Lyme Regis, collecting the day's catch from the local boats, whilst co-owner Emma manages the shop in Axminster.

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Established in 1890, Macsorsons also trades from its mobile shop, on local market days, including Bridport on Wednesday and Saturday, Axminster on Thursday and Langport on Friday. To place your Christmas order, please call on either 01297 32253 or 07711756575.



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There is now a huge choice of bikes designed for different riders and types of cycling. Riding an electric mountain bike over rough terrain is a totally new sport and not for the unfit or faint hearted. It is a growing sport for the adventurous who can control what would otherwise be a high spec. mountain bike with the added advantage of a 250w motor between the pedals.

Riding an electric bike for longer distances or to cut the number of short car journeys, so reducing carbon emissions, is a joy for many. You will find many practical models that can add a new dimension to holidays or to the daily routine. Some households have an electric bike in preference to a second car.

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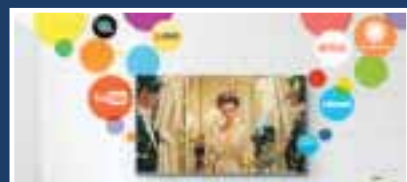
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Car driven at staff on nightclub door

A DORSET teenager has been arrested on suspicion of attempted murder after a car was driven at nightclub doorstaff.

Dorset Police received a report at 2.19am on Tuesday, December 12th, of a serious assault outside Halo nightclub on Exeter Road in Bournemouth between staff members and two men.

It was reported that a short time before the assault took place, the two men had an altercation with staff members of the nightclub before leaving the area.

The two men then allegedly returned to the nightclub in a black Vauxhall Corsa and drove directly at staff members.

The road was closed from Gervis Place to the nightclub and a cordon put in place to allow officers to thoroughly examine the scene.

As a result of the incident three men have sustained injuries which are not believed to be life-threatening or life-changing.

A 19-year-old man from Blandford has been arrested on suspicion of attempted murder and a driving offence. A 21-year-old Poole man has been arrested on suspicion of assault. They are both currently assisting officers with their enquiries.

More police on the streets

THERE is going to be a stronger police presence in Dorset this Christmas.

Armed officers are being deployed to patrol key locations, although the public are not being told where.

Dorset Police stress the decision is not in response to an increase in threat level or a reaction to any specific threat.

Armed officers will be carrying long armed weapons and will also have support from the dog unit.

Chief Superintendent Jim Nye said: "We've taken a decision over this festive period to make sure the public are reassured by having armed officers patrol key events. So it's about reassurance, it's not to scare anyone."

New Year's Eve buses

MORE New Year's Eve party goers in Weymouth will be able to get home by bus. Weymouth BID has been in talks with First Bus Dorset about providing an extended service in the early hours of New Year's Day.

Steve Newstead, said "We're delighted to be working with First Group to offer this special New Year's Eve service. It's great that First passengers will have buses running late into the night as the town celebrates the New Year. By offering this alternative travel option, we hope that it'll encourage revellers to leave their cars at home if they're having a drink, as well as giving them a safer option opposed to walking."

New lighting scheme to bring the 'magic' back to Weymouth

PLANS to create a new seafront lighting scheme for Weymouth Promenade have moved a step closer following a series of public engagement events and a design brief inviting artists to express interest in designing the new scheme.

The design brief has been approved this morning by Weymouth & Portland Borough Council's Management Committee.

Weymouth residents and visitors were invited to express their feeling through a questionnaire on the existing lighting scheme and how the look and feel of the lighting could be improved. The engagement sessions were run by Dorset Coast Forum, an independent strategic coastal partnership which is coordinating a portfolio of 18 projects including the Weymouth Promenade Lighting project; all 18 have received funding from the Coastal Communities Fund, and have community input at their heart.

Over 880 people completed the questionnaire either at one of the four engagement sessions or on-line. Forty-two per cent of people who responded said they like 'fairy' or traditional catenary lights because they are colourful, warm, welcoming, traditional and that people have an emotional attachment to this type of lighting. Other design features people said they would like to see included in the new scheme were; cost-effective, environmentally friendly lighting, LED technology, and the lighting should fit in with the heritage and Georgian architecture of the sea front.

Dorset Coastal Connections Project Officer

Nikki Parker-Goadsby said: "We were delighted to see that so many people came along to the engagement events, or gave their views through the website. The community's ideas, thoughts and preferences are now outlined in the design brief with the next exciting step being to commission an artist to create a new scheme that meets the aspirations of the Weymouth community".

Since the community engagement in Aug-Oct 2017 the project team have been researching the technical aspects of lighting along the seafront; and it has now been confirmed that the County Council owned street lighting columns along the esplanade are unable to take the weight of a catenary lighting system. Also, the promenade's status as a Conservation Area means that additional 'clutter' must be kept to a minimum. The new lighting scheme must complement the existing promenade lighting and any alterations to the existing scheme are beyond the scope of this project.

Nicky Whittenham, Founding Director of Bounce Back Arts who will be coordinating the commissioning of an artist said;

"I think it's a great, creative solution to use modern, lightweight technology in celebration of the promenade's heritage, which evokes the atmosphere, views and image that people feel was lost when the old fairy lights went. I feel confident that the artist's creative journey - taken in an ongoing partnership with the local community - will result in a beautiful and joyful scheme to be enjoyed by all, and which once more secures the prom's

position as the jewel in Weymouth's crown."

The design brief was approved by the Weymouth & Portland Borough Council's Management Committee on December 12th (the call-in period will end on December 21st after which the decision taken by the committee is confirmed).

Cllr Richard Kosior, Weymouth & Portland Borough Council's Briefholder for Tourism, Culture and Harbour, said: "I'd like to thank all residents who took the time to attend one of the drop in sessions or had their say online. After today's approval at the Management Committee we look forward to appointing a designer to work up exciting, detailed proposals for the new lighting scheme for Weymouth's historic seafront. The chosen artist will be working closely with the relevant engineering departments who have the expertise, experience and local knowledge to ensure a correct and timely installation."

The successful artist will join the Project Team in April 2018 and will reach out to the community again for their involvement in helping to shape the final design. The agreed design will likely be subject to planning permission, and once this is secured and appropriate contractors are in place, final installation of the scheme is planned for spring 2019.

Further information and the full Weymouth Seafront Lighting Community Consultation report can be viewed on the Dorset Coastal Connections Engagement website <http://www.dorsetcoasthaveyoursay.co.uk/weymouth-promenade-lighting>

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The Salon has had an amazing year so we'd like to thank all our loyal customers. We look forward to seeing you all over the festive season and into the New Year. We still have some availability if you haven't booked already.

If you haven't visited us before check out our Facebook page The Salon (Charmouth) or Instagram thesaloncharmouh. You will receive a warm welcome and a great experience with us.

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IN THE last 50 years road casualties caused by drink driving have fallen dramatically, but in 2014, there were still 240 deaths due to drink driving - accounting for 14% of all road fatalities. By drinking and driving, you risk your life, those of your passengers and others on the road.

Any amount of alcohol affects your ability to drive.

THE LAW

There are strict alcohol limits for UK drivers:

In England, Wales and Northern Ireland, the legal alcohol limit for drivers is:

- 35 microgrammes of alcohol per 100 millilitres of breath
- 80 milligrammes of alcohol in 100 millilitres of blood
- 107 milligrammes of alcohol per 100 millilitres of urine

In Scotland (from 5 December 2014) the legal alcohol limit for drivers is lower at:

- 22 microgrammes of alcohol per 100 millilitres of breath
- 50 milligrammes of alcohol in 100 millilitres of blood
- 67 milligrammes of alcohol per 100 millilitres of urine.

However it is not possible to say how much alcohol you can drink and stay below the limit. The way alcohol affects you depends on:

- Your weight, age, sex and metabolism (the rate your body uses energy)
- The type and amount of alcohol you're drinking
- What you've eaten recently
- Your stress levels at the time

So if you're driving, it's better to have none for the road.

DRINK DRIVING

- Don't drink and drive, the only safe limit is none.
- You can still be over the limit the morning after.
- Drink and drug driving does cost lives.
- Get caught drink driving and you will be treated like any other criminal.
- A drink driving conviction will stay on your licence for 11 years.
- Program a phone number for a licensed taxi company into your mobile phone before you go out.
- If you are caught drink driving you will be required to attend court where you could face a fine, be banned from driving or imprisoned.

THE CONSEQUENCES

There are strict penalties - if you are convicted of drink driving, including:

- A minimum 12 month driving ban
 - A criminal record
 - A hefty fine
 - An endorsement on your license for 11 years
- However, this list does not reflect the everyday consequences of being caught drink driving which can include:
- Increase in car insurance costs
 - Job loss
 - Trouble getting in to countries like the USA
 - The shame of having a criminal record
 - Loss of independence

The Institute of Advanced Motorists calculate that a drink drive conviction could cost between £20,000 - £50,000 as a result of fines, solicitors fees, increase in car insurance and loss of job.

Don't Drink & Drive

THINK! Advice

Beware the morning after

You could be over the legal limit many hours after your last drink, even if it's the 'morning after'. Sleep, coffee and cold showers don't help to sober you up - time is the only way to get alcohol out of your system.

There is no excuse for drink driving

"I can handle my drink."

Alcohol affects everybody's driving for the worse. It creates a feeling of overconfidence, makes judging distance and speed more difficult and slows your reactions so it takes longer to stop "I'm only going down the road."

A large proportion of all drink drive crashes occur within three miles of the start of the journey.

If you're planning to drink alcohol, plan how to get home without driving

Options include agreeing on a designated driver, saving a taxi number to your phone, or finding out about public transport routes and times before you go out.

Don't offer an alcoholic drink to someone you know is planning to drive

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TALL fridge 14 months old 5 shelves and 1 salad compartments. £100. Tel: 01305 783310

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Come-and-Sing event is a great success

THE New Elizabethan Singers, conducted by Matt Kingston and accompanied by organist Nick Brown, hosted a Come-and-Sing performance of selected choruses and solos from Handel's 'Messiah' on Saturday, December 9th in St. Mary's Church, Bridport as a fundraiser in aid of repairs to the church roof.

123 singers, some from as far away as Exeter, paid to take part and joined in with enthusiasm, gusto and various degrees of skill and experience. Some were long-standing choristers, some hadn't sung in years, some had never sung in a choir before. After two hours of rehearsals (and tea and cakes), the choir performed to a nearly full-house in the church. The performance included additional solos by guest singer Emily Hicks and NES members Shelagh Ball, Larah Cottle and John Simpson. The clearly appreciative audience contributed generously to the roof-fund collection and, in all, some £1500 was raised during the event.

The New Elizabethan Singers' next concert will be on January 27th in St. Swithun's Church, when they will sing 'Seven Last Words From The Cross' by Paul Carr, 'Magnificat' by Vivaldi and 'Totus Tuus' by Henryk Górecki. It starts at 7.00pm, a little earlier than usual.

■ The packed out St Mary's Church



Teddy Thompson to play at the Marine Theatre

SON OF legendary folk musicians Linda and Richard Thompson, Teddy is an acclaimed singer-songwriter with a career that has consistently attracted critical praise. His music is part folk and part pop. The New York Times calls his work "beautifully finessed." Teddy released his first, self titled album in 2000.

In 2002, Thompson played a key role in drawing his mother out of a 17-year musical retirement to record her landmark disc 'Fashionably Late', which he played on and co-produced.

In 2008, Thompson released the upbeat and highly acclaimed, 'A Piece of What You Need', which was declared "one of this year's best" by The Guardian and debuted at #9 in the UK's pop charts. A fifth album, 'Bella', was released February 2011 to much acclaim and led to touring the world with Elton John among other things.

In 2014 Thompson gathered his musical clan to release 'Family', one of the folk records of the year which garnered a multi

page, in depth piece from The New York Times.

This is an unusual opportunity to hear Teddy Thompson perform in a small venue.

Teddy Thompson plays at the Marine Theatre on Wednesday, January 31st at 7.30pm. Tickets are £15 in advance, or £17 on the door. Advance tickets are available by calling 01297 442138 or visit www.marinetheatre.com



■ Teddy Thompson

A festive musical treat as Dylan Thomas's Christmas favourite comes to Dorchester



■ Mark Tattersall

JOIN Dorchester Arts on Sunday, December 17th for a festive musical treat, featuring one of the UK's best-loved Christmas stories. Dylan Thomas's 'A Child's Christmas in Wales' has been adapted for string quartet and narrator by composers Adam and Charlotte Caird. The music adds a whole new dimension to this classic evocation of Christmas and childhood.

The Ligeti Quartet and joined by narrator Mark Tattersall, Artistic Director of Dorchester Arts: "This story has been part of my life for as long as I can remember. My mother was Welsh and Christmas was never complete without the family gathering to listen to our old vinyl record of Dylan himself narrating this funny, gentle and brilliantly poetic story. The new musical arrangement is wonderful – the mixture of sound effects and string melodies really brings the story to life".

The first part of the concert features two fascinating pieces of music from this brilliant Quartet. In the extraordinary Sunjata's Time, Malian composer Fodé Lassana Diabaté magically blends the rich musical heritage of West Africa with the sounds of the western string quartet. Stef Conner's Singing Strings is a four-way conversation between voices and instruments.

'A Child's Christmas In Wales' and other pieces, performed by The Ligeti Quartet, and narrated by Mark Tattersall, comes to Dorchester Corn Exchange on Sunday, December 17th at 3pm.

Tickets are £16 full price or £14 for Members of Dorchester Arts, under-18s or those on low income, and are available from the Dorchester Arts box office on 01305 266926, in person at the Corn Exchange (weekdays 10am - 4pm) or via www.dorchesterarts.org.uk. Members of Live for 5 aged 14 – 25 can buy tickets for £5 (see Dorchester Arts website for details).

Make sure you're full of seasonal cheer with The Christmas Show of Christmassy Christmassness!

Just to make sure that you're well and truly in the Christmas spirit, head to Dorchester Arts in the first week of the winter holidays with The Christmassy Christmas Show of Christmassy Christmassness on Wednesday, December 20th.

Squashbox Theatre's new show is a celebration of everything Christmassy, from fir trees, fairy lights, sleigh bells and snowflakes to crackers, carols, presents and puddings!

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over-stuffed stocking of seasonal surprises crammed with puppets, songs, quizzes and comedy, and overflowing with crazy characters, silly slapstick, tall tales and fantastic facts - all presented in that unique Squashbox style!

Tickets are £6 full price or £20 for a family ticket (max. 2 adults), and are available from the Dorchester Arts box office on 01305 266926, in person at the Corn Exchange (weekdays 10am - 4pm) or via www.dorchesterarts.org.uk.

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8.00pm. £16/£13

Saturday 16 December
Crown Inn, Bridport
The Cadence
9.30pm. Free

Spice Centre, Dorchester
Bernardo plays continental guitar 8pm. Free entry

Saturday 23 December
Crown Inn, Bridport
Monkey Jump
9.30pm. Free

Spice Centre, Dorchester
Bernardo plays continental guitar 8pm. Free entry

TOP 10

Top Ten Artist Sales of Preloved Vinyl for week ending Saturday, December 9th compiled by Clocktower Music Bridport

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4. Frank Sinatra
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Jazz Jurassica will banish your winter blues

JAZZ JURASSICA, the Lyme-based supper club, will see in the New Year with an exciting new programme at Marine Theatre, whilst it's usual haunt, The Bay, is undergoing renovation.

The forthcoming season will again welcome a wealth of talent starting with Leigh Coleman with Matt Carter Trio

(January 13), Maggie Reeday Quartet (February 10) and Duncan Anselm Quartet with guitar genius, Nigel Price (March 10).

Back by popular demand, Leigh Coleman and Matt Carter return to Jazz Jurassica in January after their sell out appearance in 2016.

Leigh Coleman, aka "Soul-

man Coleman", has worked with the likes of Joss Stone, Beverley Knight and the legendary Betty Wright in the States. He's one of the most passionate jazz funk singers around, equally at ease with swinging Sinatra-style classics or the get-down boogies of Stevie Wonder.

Matt Carter is the keyboard wizard and bandleader, whose dynamic jazz trio and creative arrangements result in an effortless classy chemistry with Leigh's vocals. He's recently moved to London to take up a place at the Royal Academy of Music so his appearance back on his home turf is particularly welcome.

Julie Sheppard, Jazz Jurassica director said, "We're really looking forward to hosting our events at Marine Theatre, which is a truly magical venue. Dottie Kitchen will be providing us with

■ Leigh Coleman



a delicious 2-course supper – so, great music, fabulous food for an inclusive ticket price. Because these events have sold out in the past we'd advise customers to book in ad-

vance to secure a table".

Tickets are available from <http://bit.ly/2pxFWXS> or from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre on 01297 442138.



■ Nigel Price



■ Maggie Reeday

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Lost folk star Shirley Collins at Bridport music festival

'LOST' folk singing star Shirley Collins will be the special guest at an acclaimed documentary being shown at Bridport's Electric Palace on Saturday, December 23rd at 2pm.

The Ballad of Shirley Collins, which had its world premiere at the 2017 BFI London Film Festival, will be followed by a special Q&A with the singer and the film's producer, Paul Williams.

It's all part of Bridport Winter Solstice Festival at the Palace, which sees The Dhol Foundation hosting a Bollywood Night on the shortest day – Thursday, December 21st – and folk sensations Show of Hands going back to their Wessex roots on Friday, December 22nd.

Alongside her sister Dolly, Shirley stood at the epicentre of the folk music revival during the 1960s and 1970s. But in 1980 she developed a disorder of the vocal chords known as dysphonia, which robbed her of her unique singing voice and forced her into early retirement.

Says reviewer Cath Clarke in *The Guardian*: "In a tale of treachery and tragedy straight out of a ballad, the English folk singer Shirley Collins dramatically lost her voice on stage in the late 70s.

"Her husband had just her left for another woman, who'd taken

to showing up at Collins's gigs – rubbing salt in the wounds by wearing the offending ex's jumpers."

Humiliated, Collins opened her mouth but nothing came out.

'He undid me. I should have got angry, but I got heartbroken,' she explains in this portrait of the artist as an older and wiser woman.

Diagnosed with dysphonia, Collins dropped off the folk map until, aged 82, she released a comeback album, *Lodestar*, last year.

With the help of old letters, yellowing photos, audio recordings and old home-movie footage, Collins recalls her life – with additional interviews by adoring young folk singers, plus comedian Stewart Lee.

"I like lots of different music and Shirley's in the top ten of all artists for me, irrespective of what they're supposed to be classified as," he says.

Shirley told an interviewer: "Singing English folk songs is as crucial to me as walking the Sussex landscape, where the footprints of our ancestors are everywhere.

"When I sing, I feel past generations standing behind me – and I hope I'm a conduit for them – those farm labourers and their wives who kept the songs going for us.

"The songs are social history

and their beauty and power undeniable."

Rob Curry and Tim Plester's documentary sets out to explore the story behind the icon, and chronicles Shirley's battle, at the grand old age of 80, to rediscover that voice she lost so many years previously.

The film offsets this contemporary journey with a more literal one taken from the other end of her life, and makes fertile use of authentic 1959 audio-archive to recount the tale of Shirley's seminal road-trip around America's Deep South alongside her then-

lover (and pre-eminent ethnomusicologist) Alan Lomax.

The film eschews a straightforward biopic approach and mindfully sidesteps any 'rockumentary' talking-heads. Instead, the filmmakers offer a meditative and richly-textured piece of portraiture, one which uses Shirley's story as a prism through which to explore and reflect upon themes of heritage, posterity and the true ancestral melodies of the people.

Tickets are available in advance and on the door at £6.50 each. For more details, visit electricpalace.org.uk

■ Shirley Collins



Complimentary film screening at the Marine Theatre next week

THERE is a complimentary screening of the Christmas classic *It's a Wonderful Life* on December 20th at the Marine Theatre in Lyme Regis. Mulled wine and mince pies will be served. The arts venue is providing the event free of charge as a gift to the local community of Lyme Regis.

The Frank Capra film is about an angel that is sent from Heaven to help a desperately frustrated businessman played by James Stewart. The angel shows him what life would have been like if he had never existed.

Gabby said "I have always loved this film, and I hope that families will come and enjoy this complimentary event. As we anticipate the screening to be very popular, we ask those wishing to attend to collect their free tickets in advance from the Marine Theatre or Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre to avoid missing out."

The *It's a Wonderful Life* - Complimentary Screening takes place at the Marine Theatre on Wednesday, December 20th at 7:30 pm. Tickets available from marinetheatre.com and Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre



Marine Theatre seeking local musicians



THE Marine Theatre in Lyme Regis is looking for local musicians and DJs to perform at the theatre for its 2018 programme.

There are concerts being scheduled featuring many genres of music including classical, folk, reggae, and pop. There are opportunities for local musicians to support well known acts. For example, the

acclaimed singer Cara Dillon is performing in February, and there is a slot for a local singer-songwriter to warm-up.

The venue is also looking for bands and singers to perform their own standalone gigs in the bar and auditorium.

Gabby Rabbitts, director of the Marine Theatre, said "We would like to support local mu-

sicians wherever we can. There are a lot of talented musicians in Dorset and Devon, and we would like to see them at the theatre".

Musicians wishing to apply should email a link to live footage and a brief biography with highlights to marketing@marinetheatre.com

Voices of the Sea

FOLLOWING a sell-out performance earlier this year, artist and boat builder Gail McGarva will again be performing her production 'Voices of the Sea' on Sunday, December 17th at the Marine Theatre.

This unusual and atmospheric performance piece will draw you into a captivating world inhabited by characters such as the salt-ridden sailor, the lonely lighthouse keeper and the mischievous mermaid. Devised by Gail McGarva, traditional wooden boat builder from Lyme Regis, and inspired by her love of the sea, the piece features beautiful original songs with haunting harmonies along with fragments of narrative, performed by the Sea Chorus, a group of local singers brought together especially for this project. Alongside the performance and outside the theatre, audience members can visit the Story Boat, a miniature maritime memories museum created by Gail from an upturned Dorset fishing boat from 1923.

Voices of the Sea will be performed at the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis this Sunday, December 17th. Doors open 7pm, and Gail McGarva will give an introductory talk from 7.15pm. The performance will begin at 8pm.

Tickets are £10 and £8 for concessions, available online at www.marinetheatre.com or by calling 01297 442138.



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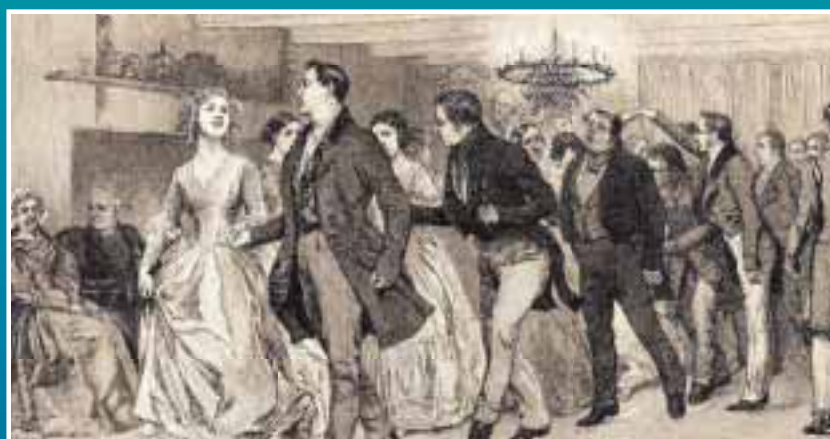
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Flappers, Dappers, Foxtrots & Lindy Hops

STEP back to the glitz and glamour of the 1920s on Saturday, December 16th, when the fabulous surrounds of The Lyric Theatre will set the scene of the prohibition era, in a decadent night of vintage opulence for The Lyric Prohibition Party!

Tickets are selling like hot cakes so don't miss out on yours for this jolly big knees up, wrapping up 2017 in style, available from Bridport Tourist Information Centre (01308 424901) and Bearkat Bistro.

The Roaring Twenties was a period of social, artistic and cultural dynamism. The Jazz Age blossomed, the flapper redefined the modern look for women, and the rise of the Speakeasy flourished across the nation. To evoke the spirit of the era, The Gatsby Gang will deliver the best of 1920s jazz, guaranteed to get the chandeliers swinging! Sassy vocalist Rachael Roberts is backed by an all-star cast featuring the legendary Tony Roberts (saxophone/clarinet), Richard Llewellyn (guitar), James Budden (double bass) and Marc Juan (percussion).

DJ Professor Purblind (from the Gaslight Troubadours) spins the best of electro-swing to keep the dance floor jumping - and... is that a gramophone he's playing?!

Flaming Feathers dancer Victoria Hole, who recently led a sell-out Charleston workshop at the Lyric, will be on hand to inspire our inner flapper and dapper, as she demonstrates dances of the era.

From the moment guests arrive on the red carpet, photographer Simon Emmett will be snapping reportage-style the stylish party goers who've dressed to impress. 'Fancy' dress is encouraged but not essential; there will be a prize for the best dressed!

Performer Toby Gascoigne will compere the evening in his inimitable style (some of you may remember The Wahos from The Lyric's festive event a few years ago - Toby was the highly watchable frontman).

The speakeasy bar will be sure to quench your festive thirsts with a range of quaffable delights including cock-

tails, fizz and liquor. So round up a group and come celebrate the festive season in fabulous style! Perfect for your Christmas do, whether work or social!

Tickets are £15 in advance or £17 on the door (unless sold out), available from Bridport Tourist Information Centre: 01308 424901 / online at www.bridportandwestbay.co.uk, and in person at BearKat Bistro. The event starts at 8pm.



Rachael Gatsby

Step back to the roaring 20s at The Lyric this season

Diary Dates

UNTIL WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 13TH

LYME REGIS: In perfect timing for holiday shopping, the Town Mill's Malthouse Gallery will be full of festive paintings, sculptures, photographs, drawings, pottery, textiles, jewellery and books by local artists who are members of Town Mill Arts in their annual Winter Art Fair. Open daily 10.30-4.30. Free admission. The Town Mill, Mill Lane, Lyme Regis DT7 3PU

UNTIL TUESDAY JAN 2ND

LYME REGIS: The seventh annual Pop-Up Vintage store will be selling all kinds of vintage, retro and crafted items for that perfect unusual Christmas gift. Books, clothes, toys, accessories, needlework supplies, home-ware and much much more are available at attractive prices. Open daily 10.30-4.30. Free admission. The Courtyard Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane, Lyme Regis DT7 3PU

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 13TH

MARTINSTOWN: Chair-based exercise. Martinstown Village Hall. 11am. For more details call 01308 281882.

WEYMOUTH: Community Orchestra Christmas Concert at St John's Church, 7.30pm. Free entry, retiring collection. Mince pies and refreshments will be served during the interval. Parking is available in local car parks.

UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society Pre-Christmas Social, at Uplyme Village Hall. The event begins at 7.30pm - there will be a seed swap, bulb planting and a Bring and Share Supper. Come along, bring your spare seeds, pay your subscription for 2018 and collect your copy of the Events leaflet, and meet your fellow members for a convivial evening.

DORCHESTER: Film 'Young at Heart' showing at the Evergreens Cinema, Age UK Dorchester, Prince of Wales Road. Lights will dim at 1.45pm. Tea and mince pies served during the showing for £1.50, ice creams also available. Everyone welcome. For more details call 01305 269444.

THURSDAY DECEMBER 14TH

LYME REGIS: Bye Bye Baby - a celebration of the music of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons, all tickets £19. Book at www.marinetheatre.com or call 01297 442138.

DORCHESTER: Thursday Group Christmas meeting at St George's Hall, Fordington. 2.15pm-4pm. Carols and songs, brain-teasing quiz, and a raffle. Meet with friends over a cup of tea and a mince pie. Entry £1.

FRIDAY DECEMBER 15TH

MARTINSTOWN: Exercise to Music. Village Hall. 10am. For more details call 01308 281882.

WEST BAY, BRIDPORT: Exercise to Music. WI Hall, George Street. 3pm. For more details call 01308 281882.

LYME REGIS: Comedy: Fern Brady, 8pm. £16/£14 (concs) Book at www.marinetheatre.com or call 01297 442138.

BRIDPORT: Festive Cheer from Bridport Choral Society. An evening of Christmas music at St Swithun's Church, at 7.30pm. Tickets £8, under 16s £4 (price includes mince pies and mulled wine), available from Bridport Music or on the door.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 16TH

WEYMOUTH: Weymouth Choral Society present 'Tidings of Joy!' at St John's Church, DT4 7SS. A seasonal concert for all the family, with special guests Weymouth Concert Brass. Tickets £10 (free for under 16s), available from Harmony Music (Dorchester) 01305 260360, Weymouth Pavilion 01308 783225, or on the door.

ABBOTSBURY: A festive afternoon with Quangle Wangle Choir at St Nicholas Church, 3-4pm. Tickets £7 adults, £5 children (to include festive refreshments). For more details call 01305 871532 or buy on the door.

BOTHENHAMPTON: Film: 'Whiskey Galore' at Bothenhampton Village Hall. Starts 7.30pm. £4 for film club members, £5 for everybody else. For more details call 01308 423071.

SAT DECEMBER 16TH - TUE JANUARY 2ND

LYME REGIS: Unwrapped is a holiday show of inspiring handmade arts and crafts made in the southwest and ideal for Christmas presents. Open daily 10.30-4.30. Free admission. The Malthouse Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane, Lyme Regis DT7 3PU

SUNDAY DECEMBER 17TH

LODERS: Beginners Ballroom/Latin Class Every Sunday 7pm at Lodgers Village Hall DT6 3SA

LODERS: Ballroom & Latin Social Dance evening every Sunday 8pm - 10.30pm Lodgers Village Hall DT6 3SA

LYME REGIS: Voices of the Sea is an atmospheric performance piece devised by Gail

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McGarva, traditional wooden boat builder from Lyme Regis. Inspired by her love of the sea, the piece features beautiful original songs with haunting harmonies along with fragments of narrative, performed by the Sea Chorus, a group of local singers brought together for this project. Alongside the performance and outside the theatre, audience members can visit the Story Boat, a miniature maritime memories museum created by Gail from an upturned Dorset fishing boat. Tickets £10 from TIC or www.marinetheatre.com; 7.00pm, The Marine Theatre.

MONDAY DECEMBER 18TH

WYKE REGIS: Beginners Ballroom/Latin Class Every Monday 8pm - 9.20pm Wyke Regis Memorial Hall DT4 9EX

BRIDPORT: Exercise to Music. WI Hall, North Street. 5.45pm. For more details call 01308 281882.

BRIDPORT: Bridport Folk Dance Club meets at 7.30 - 9.30 pm in the WI Hall, North Street, for its Christmas party night and weekly dose of dancing in a variety of genre as selected by guest caller Gill Spence with live music provided by Jeroka. No partner is needed and all are welcome regardless of experience - all dances will be talked and walked through and called throughout. Bring a small plate of suitable nibbles to share. Entry £3 for members (membership £3 per year) or £4 for visitors. Call Monty on 01308 423 442 for more information.

LYME REGIS: Join in the celebratory farewell to the Story Boat and its candlelit procession from the Marine Theatre to the Cobb. From 5.30pm, the Marine Bar will be open with warming mulled wine and live music from the Story Boat. The procession will start at 6.30pm, heading along the Cart Road to the Cobb, arriving at the harbour around 7.15pm with mince pies at the Harbour Inn, courtesy of the landlord.

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 20TH

MARTINSTOWN: Chair-based exercise. Martinstown Village Hall. 11am. For more details call 01308 281882.

LYME REGIS: Cinema: It's Wonderful Life, 7.30pm, free entry, Complimentary screening for the community, with Christmas treats on offer.

EYPE, BRIDPORT: The Arts Society: 'The Cat & The Fiddle: Musical Humour' an illustrated talk by Jeremy Barlow. At Highlands End Leisure Centre, 2pm for 2.30pm. Non-members welcome, £7.50.

THURSDAY DECEMBER 21ST

LYME REGIS: Cinema double-bill: 2.30pm, £2.50 on the Door, The Snowman and Father Christmas - Heartwarming family favourites back-to-back, with mince pies and mulled wine in the interval.

THURSDAY JANUARY 4TH

BRIDPORT: Come and join our Community Coffee morning in St. Swithun's Church Hall, Allington DT6 5DX, where fresh coffee and homemade cakes are served free of charge. Make some new friends and enjoy yourself. The event takes place on the first Thursday of every month between 10.45am & 11.45am

DORCHESTER: West Dorset Health Service Retirement Fellowship meeting at 2pm in the Boys Brigade Hall, Sawmills Lane, DT1 2RZ when Lucy Hooper will give a talk on The Dogs' Trust.

SATURDAY JANUARY 6TH

BRIDPORT: Celebrate Twelfth Night with music by Tinker's Cuss Band and other local entertainment, at Bridport Town Hall, 7pm for 7.30pm. Tickets £7 (members £6), to include seasonal food and drink. There will also be a raffle, with proceeds to Bridport Millennium Green. To book your ticket call 01308 425037 or 01308 423078.

MONDAY JANUARY 8TH

BEAMINSTER: Film: 'Dunkirk' at Beaminster Public Hall. Doors 7pm, film 7.30pm. Tickets at yarn Barton 01308 862715 (weekdays 9.30-12.30 and Saturdays 9.30-1pm) or call 01308 861746. £5 in advance, or £5.50 on the door.

BURTON BRADSTOCK: Biodanza at Othona. Express, connect, relax! At Othona Community, Coast Road. 7.15pm for 7.30pm. £10 per person. For more details call 01308 897130 or visit www.biodanza-bridport.co.uk

THURSDAY JANUARY 18TH

BRIDPORT: Bridport & District Gardening Club talk. A speaker from Groves Nursery will give a Gardener's Question & Answer session. 7.30pm at Womens Institute Hall, North Street.

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Wed & Thu: 19.00

The Disaster Artist 15

Fri: 10.30am

The Man Who Invented Christmas PG

Fri, Tue: 13.15, Wed: 13.15, 18.20

The Muppet Christmas Carol U

Sat: 10.10am

Wonder PG

Fri: 13.50, 18.15, 20.10

Sat-Tue: 12.30, 20.10

The Music of Rural England



■ The Mellstock Band

FROSTY farmsteads, winter journeys, old superstitions and seasonal celebrations – there's nothing like a chilly day in the country to make you appreciate the pleasures of a warm reside and a rousing song or a mysterious story. This is the Mellstock Band's new show for Christmas 2017, with their distinctive blend of voices and instruments, conjuring up the spirit and the sounds of the rural past.

Like all their shows, this combines traditional music for voices, fiddle, serpent, clarinet and concertina with spoken extracts from Hardy & his contemporaries.

The Mellstock Band's concert of the Music of Rural England takes place at Bridport Arts Centre on Saturday, December 16th at 7.30pm.

Tickets are £13 and £11, available online at www.bridport-arts.com or by calling the box office on 01308 424204.

Bootleggers bring the best of Blondie to Bridport

BLONDIE Fans are in for a treat when the official tribute act Bootleg Blondie perform at Bridport Arts Centre Friday, December 15th, 8pm.

They are the only Blondie tribute band and the only Blondie tribute to play the legendary CBGB's in New York City before it's demise in 2006. CBGB's was the Holy Grail of American Punk and New Wave, where the real Blondie first kicked off their career.

Debbie Harris and Bootleg Blondie have played the Isle Of Wight Festival, the 100 Club, the Hammersmith Palais, The Electric Ballroom in London, Eric's in Liverpool, and have opened up for amongst others

The Undertones, Slade, Bad Manners, The Beat, Heaven 17, Toyah, Hazel O'Connor, Tony Hadley and can be seen at all the major venues and festivals around the UK and Europe.

Debbie Harris and the boys have met the REAL Blondie and are officially endorsed by the band. Debbie Harris got in touch in 2006 when she heard we were playing CBGB's in New York City to wish them good luck with our show.

Debbie Harris, lead vocalist of Bootleg Blondie, has the looks, the voice and the attitude of the original Blondie bombshell and like her heroine is typically outrageous on stage. She has been known to wear dustbin liners, thigh length boots and t-shirts with more holes than t-shirt! Debbie's pride & joy is her guitar which she plays at every show and is signed by all the Blondie members.

It's going to be non stop entertainment at Bridport Arts Centre with songs mainly taken from the album *Parallel Lines*. So book your tickets and party like it's 1978.

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■ Debbie Harris

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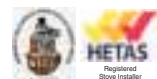
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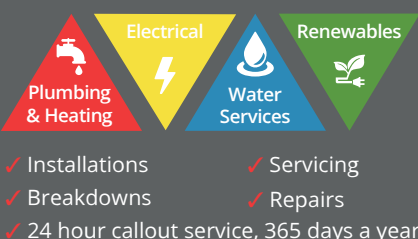
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New limited edition Mazda MX-5 Z-Sport on sale from 1st March 2018

MAZDA will bring a burst of colour to the MX-5 range next spring with the launch of the new Z-Sport special edition. On sale from the 1st March, this exclusive model will stand-out thanks to its deep cherry red fabric hood, 17-inch black BBS wheels, and free-of-charge Machine Grey Metallic paint.

Inside, the stand-out feel continues with Sand Leather seats, plus Z-Sport floor mats and scuff plates. While to further highlight its uniqueness, each car comes with an individually numbered Z-Sport plaque on the dash. Exclusive to the UK and limited to just 300 cars, thanks to being based on the 2.0-litre 160ps Sport Nav, the £25,595 Z-Sport features a limited slip differential, Bilstein dampers and a strut brace to ensure it has the dynamic

excellence to match its sporty exterior looks.

With the distinctive look you'd expect of an MX-5 special model, the Z-Sport continues the trend of offering sports car customers a striking and exclusive car at an affordable price. The second MX-5 to wear the Z-Sport badge, the latest car revisits a name last used on the third-generation MX-5 in 2007. A 2.0-litre model with 17-inch BBS wheels, Stone Leather seats and Radiant Ebony Mica paint, the last Z-Sport's cabin featured brushed aluminium dash inserts, alloy pedals and coordinated stitching on the steering wheel, gear knob and handbrake. With just 400 examples sold, the 2007 Z-Sport shared the exclusivity of next year's new

Z-Sport MX-5.

Representing the first chance to buy a current-generation MX-5 convertible with an alternatively coloured fabric roof, the Z-Sport provides customers with exterior differentiation through its unique colour hood. Commenting on the launch of the new MX-5 Z-Sport, Jeremy Thomson, Managing Director Mazda Motors UK said, "the MX-5's new cherry coloured roof was shown for the first time in public at the recent Tokyo Motor Show where it received a very positive reception. I'm delighted that we can bring it to UK MX-5 buyers as part of the exciting Z-Sport limited edition model."

Adding, "We've had a long tradition of producing distinctive limited edition MX-

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current tables

D&E Div 1 (24)	Pld	GD	Pts
Exeter Univ Res	12	23	28
Lyme Regis	12	11	23
Colyton	7	22	19
Lapford	10	10	19
Cullompton Res	11	15	18
Chard Town Res	10	-11	15
Sidmouth Res	8	4	13
Chagford	10	1	13
Perry Street	7	8	11
Heavitree Res	9	-12	11
Bickleigh	9	-12	9
Wellington Res	12	-31	4
Alphington Res	11	-28	3

D&E Div 5 (26)	Pld	GD	Pts
Halwill Res	11	13	25
Lyme Regis Res	10	14	22
Black Swan Town	8	28	19
Elmore Res	6	24	18
Central FC	10	21	17
Exwick Village	9	20	16
Millwey Rise	8	18	16
Ilminster Res	14	-1016*	
Hemyock	10	7	15
Culm Utd	12	3	15
Awliscombe	11	-6	10
Westex Park	11	-20	7
Dunkeswell Rov	10	-39	6
Offwell Rangers	12	-73	-1*

Dorset Sen (24)	Pld	GD	Pts
Chickerell Utd	11	26	27
Corfe Castle	10	13	23
Westlands Sp Res	10	14	21
Witchampton Utd	10	7	17
Broadstone	10	4	16
BEAMINSTER	10	4	16
Corfe Mullen Utd	10	3	14
Poole Borough	12	-7	13
Cranborne	11	-19	13
Portland Utd Res	8	4	12
Allendale	12	-22	9
Dorch Sports Res	9	-10	5
Wincanton Res	9	-17	3

PSDL Prem (20)	Pld	GD	Pts
Merriott Rovers	7	17	21
Barrington	7	29	19
South Petherton	8	13	19
W & M Chinnock	9	12	17
Chard Utd	9	7	13
Winsham Utd	10	0	13
Shepton Beau	9	10	12
Misterton	7	9	12
Netherbury	9	-35	6
Pymore	6	-22	0
Combe Res	9	-40	0

P Street D1 (18)	Pld	GD	Pts
Halstock	7	35	19
Ilminster Colts	8	5	16
Farway Utd	7	11	14
Hawkhurst Utd	7	8	13
Wayton Hounds	7	5	13
Forton Rangers	5	-5	9
Uplyme	6	-5	7
Perry Street Res	9	-14	7
Shepton Beau Res	8	-17	4
Chard Rangers	8	-23	1

Perry St D2 (20)	Pld	GD	Pts
Thorncombe	9	22	23
Charmouth	8	12	19
Forton Res	10	12	19
Misterton Res	6	10	13
Dowlish & Don	9	1	13
Crewkerne Rang	5	7	11
Chard Utd Res	8	-7	8
Kingsbury	9	-2	7
Combe A	8	-23	7
S.Petherton Res	8	-8	3
Winsham Utd Res	8	-24	3

Perry St D3 (18)	Pld	GD	Pts
Ilminster Town A	10	29	27
Donyatt Utd	11	23	26
Merriott Dynamos	6	7	15
Crew Rang Res	9	-1	15
Farway Utd Res	9	-2	13
Lyme Rovers	8	10	11
Netherbury Res	10	7	10
Thorncombe Res	10	-19	10
Chard Rang Res	9	-26	6
Chard Utd AS	10	-28	1

West Dorset Football round-up

Lyme Reserves fly county cup flag

Rainbows impress at home ♦ Four goal Legg up for Hounds

DORSET INTERMEDIATE CUP MAIDEN NEWTON & CATTISTOCK 0 LYME REGIS RESERVES 5

Quarter Final

LYME Regis Reserves deservedly clinched a place in their first ever Dorset Intermediate cup semi final with a near complete performance against hosts who can have no complaints.

Lyme, kicking up the considerable slope at the 50 year-old Kennel Lane Ground, soon found their feet and Jake Bearpark should have scored when the home defence waited for an offside flag that never came but the home keeper saved well.

Seconds later Finlay McLean had a lob cleared from under the bar, then Ben Vine, back after a spell coaching in the USA, had a shot from a corner hacked off the line.

The hosts did have the ball in the Lyme net on the half hour but the effort was ruled for offside. But the bulk of the action was at the other end and Steve Batey cleverly flicked a pass through to McLean but the youngster volleyed high over the bar.

The opener came seconds before half time when Vine, who had a superb game on the flanks, won a ball on the half way line before galloping forward and playing a neat reverse pass to Harvey Brimicombe who lashed the ball home after his first attempt had been saved.

The result was assured two minutes after the interval when Steve Batey's cross was flicked on by Bearpark to Brimicombe who lashed the ball under the home keeper.

It was 3-0 in the 55th minute as the home defence, again run ragged by Vine, dithered on a loose ball and Bearpark slammed it home.

Steve Bartey crowned an influential performance two minutes later by poking home number four at the foot of the post.

The scoring was completed midway through the half when right back Ryan Turner rampaged down

the flank before crossing to MoM Vine who made no mistake.

The Seaside could have had more; Steve Batey went clean through but shot at the keeper while Brimicombe drilled a spectacular shot over the angle and the home keeper did well with a late double save to deny Steve Batey and sub Sam Bevis.

Vine impressed, but the whole of the Lyme side can be satisfied with a superb team performance.

Other Quarter Final results

Wimborne Phoenix 2 Wareham Rangers Res 3, Swanage Town Reserves 4 Portland Town 2, AFC Blandford 7 Marnhull 0.

DEVON & EXETER LEAGUE

HEAVITREE UTD 0 LYME REGIS 5

Division One

LYME Regis kept up the heat near the top of the Division One table with a totally convincing victory at a boggy Wingfield Park.

Lyme were the better side throughout and took the lead through Julien Simier on the half hour. Ben Turner, standing in for injured skipper Dom Rowe, doubled the lead with a header from a Rob Fellingham corner for his second goal in three matches just before half time.

The points were in the bag when Simier struck again seconds after the turnaround before Fred Parsons got in on the act with a double, one to round of the best move of the match, to move to the top of the team's goal scoring chart with nine.

Lyme manager Robin Townsend was pleased to welcome back Dan Baggs after spells with Beaminster and Bridport Reserves: "Dan will be a great addition to the squad which is looking a little stronger than it has for a while.

"It was a good performance in heavy conditions. We could have had a few more with some better finishing but the clean sheet is always a plus."

Striker Dec Ellis is recovering from a dislocated knee and looks set to be out for at least another month while fellow front man Chris

Herbst is struggling to shake off a niggling hamstring strain and was replaced by Baggs just before the hour mark

Lyme Regis (4-4-2): Chris Higgs, Luke Clifton, Kingsley Wellman, Gary Knight, Ben Turner, Rob Fellingham, Darren Lock, Mark Bailey, Fred Parsons, Chris Herbst (Dan Baggs 55), Julien Simier.

Other Division One results;

Chard Town Res 2 Wellington Town Res 1 Exeter University Res 3 Sidmouth Res 0

Division Five results

Awliscombe Utd 4 Offwell Rangers 0 Central FC 8 Ilminster Reserves 0 Elmore Reserves 9 Culm United 3 Exwick Village 12 Dunkeswell Rovers 1 Halwill Res 6 Westex Park Rangers 1

DORSET LEAGUE

BEAMINSTER 2 WINCANTON RES 0 BEAMINSTER remain sixth in the Senior Division table after a comfortable 2-0 win over basement side Wincanton Town Reserves.

The Rainbows, boosted by the inclusion of Ryan Hayter, were on top for large periods of the first half.

They went into the break 1-0 up thanks to a close range finish into the top corner from Josh Baker after a goal mouth scramble. They could have had more but top scorer Tristan Gale missed a couple of decent chances.

Gale missed a one-on-one chance after the break as the Memorial Ground pitch began to cut up, but he delivered the killer blow finding the bottom corner from the edge of the box in the 75th minute.

The Rainbows, who have now won their last four matches at the Memorial Ground, face a much tougher proposition next Saturday with a trip to face current league leaders Chickerell United.

Other Senior Division scores;

Allendale 0 Corfe Mullen Utd 5 Cranborne 3 Dorchester Sports Res 2 Poole Borough 4 Westlands Reserves 2 Portland Utd Reserves 2 Chickerell Utd 0

Witchampton 1 Broadstone 1

PERRY STREET LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

MISTERTON 10 NETHERBURY 0 NETHERBURY suffered their biggest away defeat for 13 years and are now in a group of three that have been cut adrift at the foot of the table and look set to battle it out to avoid the drop.

Mike McCormack (3), Jack Blunn (2), Stuart Weston (2), Elliott Calvert, Harry Manley and Harry Charles shared the Missy goals.



■ **KILLER DOUBLE:** Bill Ward's goals saw Charmouth complete a 5-2 win over promotion rivals Forton Reserves.

DIVISION TWO

CHARMOUTH 5 FORTON RANGERS RES 2 CHARMOUTH'S 100 per cent home league was extended by a 5-2 win over Forton Rangers Reserves.

The Robins flew out of the blocks and were 3-0 up inside 12 minutes through goals from Nick Phillips, Brin Seward and Matt Pile.

But two fine strikes from Dave Fowler and Conor Felder saw Forton reduce the deficit to 3-2 at half time.

However, any thoughts of a further comeback were shelved by a second half double from Bill Ward.

"We switched off before half time and two awesome strikes brought them [Forton] back into it.

"But if we'd taken our chances we could have had a lot more," said Charmouth boss Kevin Pratt.

PERRY STREET RES 4 UPLYPE 2

UPLYPE's wait for an away win is now nine matches after a surprise 4-2 reverse at struggling Perry Street Reserves.

George Symonds and 16-year-old Daley Holmes netted for the Swallows but they were trumped by Josh Betts (2), Charlie Grierson and Matt Crabb.

DIVISION THREE

CREWKERNE RANGERS RES 6

NETHERBURY RESERVES 5

THERE were 11 goals at Henhayes where hosts Crewkerne Rangers

Reserves edged past Netherbury Reserves 6-5.

Left back Sam Caddy gave Rangers an early lead and this was doubled through a header from player-manager Scott Isaacs.

But Netherbury battled back to level at 2-2 only for Isaacs and his other full back Mark Holton to make it 4-2 at half time.

They appeared home and dry when Tom Broome and Mike Calverley made it 6-2 but had to survive a late fightback with Netherbury scoring three times near the end.

Josh James (2), Alex Goodrick, Steve Symonds and Charlie Morgan scored for the Ambers who lost their four game unbeaten record.

"We had a few out so I had to play a few players out of position, we also lacked a bit of luck," said Netherbury player-manager Phil Ackerman.

LYME REGIS ROVERS 2 CHARD UNITED ALL STARS 2

TWO second half goals from Scott Meyers salvaged a point for Lyme Regis Rovers who surprisingly trailed wooden spoon contenders Chard United All Stars 2-0 at the Woodroffe School.

The Seaside's missed a hat full of chances in the a goal less first half although Chard did strike an up-right.

The visitors took the lead five minutes after the turnaround when a throw in from the right fell to Ash Lawrence who struck a sweet shot from 25 yards which gave keeper Jedd Whittington no chance.

And they scored again five minutes later when Craig Quinn latched onto a ball over the top and slotted home.

But Meyers came off the bench to good effect, firstly firing home from six yards, and then collecting a Jonny Day knock down from a Jack Turner free kick and finishing well into the bottom corner from the edge of the area.

The Seaside's pressed for a winner but found Stars' keeper Chris Hart in fine form.

Rovers manager Terry White picked out centre back Rob Larcombe and Day as his top performers while former Axminster and Seaton Town defender Niall Davis had an impressive debut also at centre back.

FIXTURES

Saturday, December 16th

(all 2pm unless stated)

JACK VENN CUP - R1

Misterton Reserves v Thorncombe

PREMIER

Barrington v Chard Utd

Merriott Rovers v South Petherton

W & M Chinnock v Shepton Beauchamp

DIVISION ONE

Forton Rangers v Chard Rangers

Shepton Beauchamp Res v Perry Street Res

Uplyme v Farway Utd

Waytown Hounds v Hawkchurch Utd

DIVISION TWO

Dowlish & Donyatt v Chard Utd Reserves

South Petherton Res v Kingsbury Episcopi

Winsham Utd Res v Crewkerne Rangers

DIVISION THREE

Chard Rangers Reserves v Lyme Rovers

Crewk Rangers Res v Merriott Dynamos



■ **DOWN AND OUT:** Jake Bearpark leaves a trail of grounded Maiden Newton & Cattistock defenders in his wake as he extends Lyme Reserves' lead in Saturday's comprehensive Dorset Intermediate Cup quarter win.

Photo by HOWARD LARCOMBE

Read Howard Larcombe's Perry Street League Review in the Independent

Lyme skittles

RESULTS (W/e Dec 9th);

Ladies

Wootton Wobblers 295
Skittso's 276 (+BL), La
Crème 305 (+BL) Genera-
tions 289, Roller-
coasters 264 (+BL)
Smashers 284.
High Scores: S Yeat-
man 60; J Wyatt 59.

Men's Div 1

Miscellaneous 364 No
Hoppers 365 (+BL),
Roadrunners 322 Clue-
less 327 (+BL), Wreck-
ers 338 Marksmen 355
(+BL), Young Guns 362
wrappers 373 (+BL).

High Scores: S Beal
72; J Cable 70; M What-
more 69; C Flux 67.

Div 2 Curtis

Nomination Cup:
Alleytwits bt Shakers
(game given), Rousdon
Rebels 265 President's
Men 243, Anthill Mob
185 Tornadoes 126.

**Nomination High
Scores:** D Savage 55.

Mens' Div One

	Pld	Pts	BL
No Hoppers	7	14	8
Flyers	7	10	8
Wreckers	7	7	4
Marksmen	7	6	10
Trappers	7	6	8
Young Guns	7	6	8
Roadrunners	6	5	2
Clueless	7	4	8
Miscellaneous	5	2	4

Mens' Div Two

	Pld	Pts	BL
Alleytwits	6	8	10
British Legion	6	8	10
Anthill Mob	5	8	2
Rousdon Rebels	6	6	4
Shakers	5	4	4
Tornadoes	6	4	4
President's Men	6	2	6

Ladies

	Pld	Pts	BL
Hot Gossips	5	9	5
Wootton Wobb	5	8	4
La Crème	5	7	8
Rollercoasters	6	4	6
Smashers	5	4	6
Skittso's	5	2	5
Generations	5	2	2

Table skittles

BRIDPORT

Division A	Pd	Pts	BL
Crown Duels	10	47	9
Jesters	10	37	7
Whats the Odds	9	31	6
What an Anchor	10	30	7
No Hoppers	10	28	6
Hopeless Anchors	10	28	2
Muffing Heads	10	22	6
Fred's Heros	8	16	3
Odds Against	9	16	6
Five Alive	10	13	5
The Devils	10	13	1
Cliff's Lil' Helpers	10	9	1

Division B

	Pd	Pts	BL
Mucking Fudlers	10	36	8
Bellends	10	31	7
George Gormets	10	31	5
Fishermens Frds	9	29	8
King of Clubs	10	28	6
Little Nibblers	10	24	3
Baggies Boys	8	21	4
Hit and Hope	9	21	5
Mel's Men	10	21	4
Has Beens	10	21	3
Stickups	9	13	1
About Time	9	9	2

Lyme Regis Darts

Current table

	Pld	Pts
Rousdon Club	6	12
Nags Z	6	11
Hunters Lodge	6	6
Royal Standard	6	6
Half an Octopus	5	3
Talbot Arms	4	2
Four Play	5	2
Sticky Bandits	6	2
180s:	R.Haines and D.Herbert x2.	

West Dorset Hockey

Hawks let lead slip - twice

WEST DORSET A 2 SIDMOUTH & OTTERY B 2 South East 2

WITH the two sides occupy-
ing seventh and eighth
place in the league, a score
draw could have been pre-
dicted, but despite a very
cold Sir John Colfox pitch,
the low temperatures did
not affect the quality of play
from these mid-table
teams.

The flow of the game was
constant, and the umpires
did very well to let play con-
tinue at every opportunity.

The experienced back
four of Henry Middleton,
Dave Tewson and brothers
Giles and Bruce Maltby, re-
stricted the visitors to a few
shots in the first half, which
keeper Alex Drew was able

to contain untroubled.

The Hawks went ahead
shortly before the break as
Russell Coombes' weak
shot managed to find its
way into the goal, following
good supporting play from
the Hawks midfield.

However the visitors came
out the stronger after the
break, and levelled matters
from a well worked short
corner routine that saw the
balls buried into the far cor-
ner.

The Hawks did not let
their heads drop, and en-
joyed a good 10 minute
spell, which saw the oppo-
sition keeper pull off a
string of great saves.

However, the man be-
tween the sticks was finally
beaten for a second time,

again from the stick of
Coombes, after good play
from Julian May and Will
Maltby.

The tables then turned
again, and the visitors
worked hard to increase
their share of possession,
eventually winning a short
corner with less than 10
minutes left of the game.

It was another well
worked short corner routine
which opened up the
Hawks defensive quartet,
and the resulting shot was
saved by Drew but straight
onto the back of his stick to
divert the ball back into the
goal.

Hawks were unable to find
a winner and had to endure
another match without lady
luck on their side, although

a score draw was probably
a fair reflection of the
match.

Hawks A's last match be-
fore the winter break is on
Saturday at home against
second placed East Devon
C.

West Dorset A: Alex Drew,
Henry Middleton, Dave Tew-
son, Giles Maltby, Bruce
Maltby, Ollie Bareham, Will
Maltby, Julian May, Rich Wil-
son, Will Tewson, Russell
Coombes; Sub: Dan Wilde

South East 2	Pld	GD	Pts
Chard A	11	26	28
East Devon C	11	28	24
Taunton CS A	11	15	22
ECV Hornets B	11	17	20
Chard B	10	8	20
Bridgwater C	11	18	19
Sidmth & Ottery B	11	4	17
WEST DORSET A	11	-9	11

Minehead A	10	-24	10
Taunton Vale D	11	-16	7
Yeovil & Sherb B	11	-25	6
Sidmth & Ottery C	10	-42	4

Plymouth University A 4 West Dorset Hawks 0

Southern 2
WEST Dorset Hawks were
well beaten by third place
Plymouth Uni A - no details
available.

Southern 2	Pld	GD	Pts
Sidmouth & Ottery	11	26	29
PGSOB A	11	24	21
Plymouth Uni A	11	8	18
Caradon	11	3	18
OPM	11	-6	18
Bude	11	14	16
Camborne SoM	10	9	15
WEST DORSET	11	-14	13
Isca C	10	4	12
Plymouth Marjon C	11	-11	11
Tavistock A	11	-28	4
Sidmth & Ottery A	11	-29	4

Tee-off - golf news

Blank week for Bridport men and veterans

LYME REGIS with Richard Jackman

THE DECEMBER MEDAL saw a very
tight finish in Division One, but it
was Andrew Dawe, with a level
gross score on the back nine, who
took the honours which included
an eagle on the tricky 15th.

Second, on countback after a bril-
liant front nine was Tristan Wakeley,
also with a nett 69, while three
handicapper Jonathan Ebdon re-
covered from three bogey holes in
a row to come in one under nett par
and finish 3rd.

With the best score of the day the

Division Two winner by five shots
was Steve Thirlwell who, after a blis-
tering front nine, went on to score
an impressive nett 65 while Nic
Snake had a better back nine to
just push Steve Kitcher into 3rd
place.

The SENIORS' DECEMBER STA-
BLEFORD was played with some dif-
ferent tee and green placings
owing to the bunker work which
tested the players. Charles Vane
Percy coped best scoring a brilliant
43 points for the best score of the
day which included an eagle on the

14th.

Robert Horne had an impressive
front nine score of 23 in his 40
points in second place, while in 3rd
Brian Carnell who really upped his
game on the back nine to finish
with 37.

Division Two belonged to Mike
List as he scored a quartet of three
pointers on the back nine to finish
on 40 points.

Roger Baker and Steve Harlow
both had four-pointers holes in
their 38s, but on countback it was
Baker who took silver.

BRIDPORT with Peter Crowter

BOTH the men's and veterans com-
petitions had to be cancelled due
to bad weather.

Ladies' Section by Lyn Jessop

A small field of 10 competed for the
Ladies December EG medal.

The winner in Division One was
Nicky Stone with an excellent net
70 playing off a handicap of six.

Division Two winner was Sally
Woolmington with a gross 109-26-
83 net. Pat Baldwin (111-32-79 net)
won Division Three.

Colfox and Woodroffe sweep the board



■ **FIRST HOME:** Inter Boys champion Chet Gillespie pictured with Robin Goodfellow (from Sponsors CHG South West) and Colfox Deputy Headteacher Mike Hoffmann.

ONCE again The Sir John Colfox Academy and The Woodroffe School showed their prowess as they dominated the final race of the South West Dorset Cross Country League held at Colfox last week.

The league consisting of three races is contested by 12 schools in the area with points given to the individuals and teams based on places; the scores then added up across all three races, the lowest score overall winning.

In absolutely perfect conditions for cross country and a beautiful setting, the Colfox course is a true test with the infamous hill to conquer.

Woodroffe got off to a good start winning the first race of the day the Year 7 girls with Alice Clarke (Woodroffe) winning the overall individual trophy.

The Year 7 boys saw Colfox triumph with Oakley Winters-O'Brien (Colfox) leading them home.

The Junior Girls race was the most hotly contested and was a brilliant race. In the end Woodroffe beat Colfox by just a single point to take the title. Phoebe Clarke (Woodroffe), older sister of Alice, made it a double family celebration by taking the individual title.

The Junior Boys race saw Owen Pitcher (Colfox) race to victory and help Colfox to the team title.

Maddy Herbert (Colfox) then led Colfox to victory in the Inter Girls race.

The final race, the Inter Boys, saw Chet Gillespie (Woodroffe) buck the trend. Although Colfox won the team title it was Gillespie who raced to the individual title.

The organisers would like to thank CHG South West for sponsoring the trophies and director Robin Goodfellow for presenting the awards along with Deputy Headteacher Mike Hoffmann.

They would also like to thank the Watton Trust for allowing the use of the hill as part of the course.



■ **WINNER:** Maddy Herbert who led home the Inter Girls pictured with Robin Goodfellow (from Sponsors CHG South West) and Colfox Deputy Headteacher Mike Hoffmann.

Dorch Snooker

Express flying along

Dorchester & Dist
LATEST results: WDC
Team Shaky 0 Colliton
Hopefuls 6, Trinity M 6
Trinity Express 2,
Purbeck Potters 5 WDC
Whipping Boys 2.

Top breaks: None.
**Top break of the sea-
son:** Evan Wellman
(WD Club A) 54.

**Rearranged league
matches:** WDC
YYMFTD v Trinity M
Thursday (January
11th), West Dorset Club
A v Trinity M Thursday
(January 25th), West
Dorset Club A v
Purbeck Potters Mon-
day (March 5th).

Team Open KO Cup
WDC Team Shaky 4
Trinity Express 3, WDC
YYMFTD 2 Trinity M 4,
Colliton Hopefuls 1
West Dorset Club A 4,
Purbeck Potters 4
WDC Whipping Boys 0
(w/o).

SF draw: Trinity M v
West Dorset Club A
(February 21st at Colli-
ton Club), Purbeck Pot-
ters v WDC Team
Shaky (February 22nd
at Colliton Club).

Table week 9

	Pld	Pts
Trinity Express	8	33
Colliton Hopefuls	8	33
Trinity M	6	30
WDC Team Shaky	8	28
Colliton XQ2017	8	27
Purbeck Potters	7	25
WDC YYMFTD	6	23
West Dorset Club A	5	22
WDC Whipping Boys	8	13

Darts

BRIDPORT		
Division One	Pld	Pts
Rob's Robbers	10	19
Hands of Time	9	16
BSC	9	14
Well Hung Clocks	9	13
Nomads	9	12
4 Drunks & A Driver	9	9
Respect-de-Bull	9	7
Five Sticky Fingers	10	6
Nags Head A	9	6
One for the Vikings	10	5
Young Darters	10	5
Les Miserables	9	0
180s: L.Cox, A.Parker		
S.Harvey all x& 4, M.Barnett,		
S.Ahner, G.Knight & J.Vickery		
all x3, ten players x2.		

Division Two		
Pld	Pts	
Elders	10	20
Rubber Johns	10	18
Odds or Us	10	17
Dart Vaders	10	10
Poachers	9	9
Mis Fits	9	9
No Direction	9	8
Otter Rotters	10	7
The Surgeons	10	7
Anchor Five	9	5
No Chance	10	3
Wicked TN	9	3
180s: C.Higgs x4, F.Jones x3,		
D.Sorrell x2, P.Moye,		
S.Adams, T.Bond, R.Moye, &		
T.Symonds all x1.		

Division Three		
Pld	Pts	
Anchor Vale View	8	13
Whamps	8	12
Stumpies Stallions	9	12
Time Bombs	9	12
Dat Team	8	11
Midnight Runners	9	9
The Shoplifters	8	7
Dodgers	9	5
On me Tab	8	5
Odds & Sods	8	4
Ben's Followers	8	2
180s: P.Gumbriel, M.Brock,		
C.Eaton & T.Stickley all x1.		

Ladies Div One		
Pld	Pts	
Anchor Aces	10	19
Arrows Awry	10	19
Queens Bees	10	17
Queensies OTC	10	14
Castaways	10	13
Sue's Rebels	10	11
Lil's Hopefuls	11	8
Diamonds ITR	10	8
Against the Odds	10	8
Charlie's Angels	10	6
Good Mates	11	4
Tiger Stripes	10	3
Double Trouble	10	2
Most wins: Janet Collins,		
Jackie Hoskins, Sally James,		
Elaine Knight & Heather		
Scadding all x9.		

Mark Broad Fund invites applications

THE Mark Broad Fund is again inviting applications for assistance from up and coming youngsters, whether from individuals or clubs.

Since 2004, the fund has raised over £40,000 which has been awarded to a wide range of applicants in sports of all kinds, to assist with the ever rising costs of their chosen activities.

Anyone wishing to apply should contact fund trustee Colin Wilcox for an application form on 07879 840862. Applications close on December 31st.

Although previous recipients of assistance can re-apply, new applicants will take precedence when the trustees consider this year's awards.

Bridport RFC

Blues battle back for draw

Bridport 24
Salisbury 2nd XV 24

Dorset & Wilts Division One (South)
AFTER a crushing defeat last week the Blues were looking to improve their fortunes at home to a strong Salisbury side on Saturday writes *Stuart Briggs*.

They duly obliged with highly committed team effort and were unlucky not to edge the win drawing 24-24.

From the kick off both sides were guilty of handling errors and neither could make any real headway into their opponents' 22.

The Blues were conceding penalties for offside allowing Salisbury to gain ground into their 22 and after another penalty was carelessly spilled by Salisbury taking a quick tap the Blues capitalised making good ground into the Salisbury 22 where they gained a line out.

From the throw-in Mitch Waters made good ground before offloading to Daragh Mcoughlin whose quick pass put debutant Zak Knight over for a try which was converted by Freddie Woolner.

Woolner was now making an impact on the game with his excellent touch kicking. Salisbury knocked-on from a line out and from the resulting scrum quick ball allowed Woolner to make a blindsided break and score but he missed with the conversion.

From the kick off Salisbury were allowed to kick a loose ball towards the

line and an awkward bounce evaded Woolner and the Salisbury winger got his hand to the ball to score in the corner, which was well converted.

From a long kick off by Woolner, Salisbury quickly counter attached and were soon back in the Blues 22. The hosts won a good line out, but Woolner's kick was charged down and the chance to clear was lost.

After a good scrum and long clearance kick the Blues were again penalised for offside.

The resulting line out was not cleared and from a scrum Salisbury were awarded a penalty close to the posts which was converted to leave Bridport 12-10 at the interval.

The second half started with a series of strong attacks by the Blues with Waters, Mcoughlin and Woolner all making good breaks forcing errors.

From a 22 line out Mcoughlin broke the first line of defence, Waters carried the momentum forward and a good offload allowed Jon Butler to score a try which was not converted.

The Blues continued to play attractive attacking rugby and enjoyed several good phases. Mitch Waters went close after a quick tap penalty, the ball was recycled but Mcoughlin, after a good break, was isolated and conceded a penalty.

With both sides playing attacking rugby, Salisbury finally got the breakthrough with constant pressure on



■ ON THE ATTACK: Mike Pibworth makes a break in Saturday's 24-24 draw.

the Blues line resulting in a converted try to level the scores at 17-17.

From the kick off the Blues conceded a penalty and from the resulting line out the visitors moved the ball through their backs and from a questionable pass went over in the corner for a converted try.

With time running out Bridport showed great composure and spirit and series of drives saw them just come up short.

After a scrum against the head was reset the Blues were awarded a free kick for early engagement by the visitors and good pressure saw Mike Pibworth get the crucial try and with Woolner keeping his cool, the scores were level at 24-24.

Despite a fumble from the kick off the Blues saw out time for a very well deserved and welcome 3 points.

Bridport visit BOURNEMOUTH 3RDS on Saturday.

Puckett crowned national champion

MOONFLEET 2000 Bowling Club's Martin Puckett recently won the Grand Final of the Open Singles Circuit: a singles sets competition, held at Potters Resort in Norfolk.

Thirty two players qualified for the grand final by accruing points from playing in the 20 open singles competitions held around the country during the year.

The final 32 are split into eight groups, with the winners from the each group decided after a round-robin, then the two top players from each group play a knock-out to decide the champion.

Puckett took on Jordan Philpott of Spalding, Lincolnshire in a final full of extraordinary drawing shots and Martin ran out the winner 2-0 in sets, bringing home the winner's cheque of £1400.

Martin has been playing at Moonfleet since he was eight years old, just after the Club's Bowls Hall was built on the Marsh Playing fields. He was a member of the Clubs Junior section which meets on Saturday mornings and is an inspiration to a number of young players who are following in his footsteps.

He was a member of England's junior

team for seven years, was a finalist in 2016 for the Under 25s World Indoor Championship, has just been selected for the English Senior International team for the fourth season and has qualified again to take part in the World Indoor Bowls Championship at Potters in January.

◆ **The Moonfleet 2000 Indoor Bowls Club caters for everyone from ages of 8 to 80+ including those with disabilities and the next Open day where the public can come and have a try at playing bowls is on Saturday, February 3rd from 10am to 4pm.**



■ WINNER: Martin Puckett with the trophy

West Bay Sea Angling

Casting for Life Boats

A SPECIAL match organised by West Bay Sea Angling Club raised for £171 which was recently presented to Sadie Miles of Bridport Branch RNLI.

The money was raised on the hottest day in August, when it was difficult to find a space to fish due to the holidaymakers. As a result,

next year's match has been scheduled for Sunday, October 7th, when everyone is welcome.

Meanwhile, it was decided at the club's AGM that all fish caught from the shore will be measured and immediately returned to the sea alive in the interests of conservation.



■ HAPPY TO HELP: Rod Barr and John Hunt handing over the cheque to Sadie Miles, of Bridport Branch RNLI, watched by members of the WBSAC Committee.

Bridport FC

WITH STUART BROOM

Morale boost for Reserves

**Bridport Reserves 3
Shaftesbury Town Reserves 3**
Dorset Premier Division

FOLLOWING a number of heavy defeats, Bridport Reserves managed to stop the rot with a 3-3 draw against Shaftesbury Town Reserves.

Although they were missing two or three regulars, the Bees welcomed back keeper Billy Fleet, and they started well and creating a couple of good opportunities after good work down the right involving Callan Strelley and Finn Cooper.

However, it was the visitors who scored first with their first attack after a mistake from Jake Mansley gifted a chance to Lee Gale who gave Fleet no chance.

Bridport soon struck back scoring twice in quick succession, both from Dom McAllister free kicks. Both were headers with Mansley atoning for his error before centre back Ryan Gall put the Bees ahead.

Shaftesbury responded and scored twice themselves to retake the lead with another from Gale and Callum Gent before half time.

The Bees came out in the second half knowing they had to match Shaftesbury physically, and did just

that with captain for the day McAllister leading the way.

They grew in confidence and created a few opportunities, but it was a Rockies mistake from which striker Josh Hunter levelled the score.

Sensing the opportunity of a win, Cooper hit the post, with Handyside, Hunter, Riley Weedon and Dan Peach all going close, although with Bridport pushing late-on it needed a fine save from Fleet to secure a point.

Manager Shaun Annetts was pleased his side had secured a point for their efforts, but thought they deserved all three.

"Before the game, with the way the results have gone, I would have taken a point.

"But on reflection I believe we deserved three points; we played the better football and could have had a fourth and fifth goal, I am pleased for the players as they have had a hard time recently."

Annetts, whilst pleased with everyone's performance, felt Strelley, promoted from the third team for his first reserve appearance of the season, was his man of the match.

Bowls

Good week for over 60s

BOTH Bridport teams were successful in the County Over 60s league last week.

The A team remained in the trophy hunt after claiming five points at DORCHESTER A with Barry Mapson, Chris Everest & Mike Fletcher winning 17-11 and Martin Wilton, Paul Hallett & Phil Hedges drawing 16-16.

Bridport B thumped DORCHESTER B 48-20 to leave them bottom on shot difference. Brian Legg, Bob Hill & Roger

Cowmeadow finished with a four count to win 25-10, whilst Brian Baker, Huw Rees & Peter Scott finished with a five count for a 23-10 victory.

The County Mixed League side had a fine win against BOURNEMOUTH, thanks mainly to Mel Hargett, Phil Tattershall, Laura Taylor & Sue Walsh crushing their opponents 31-12 at home, whilst Sharon Heath, Anne Parkins, Roy Nicoll & Keith Jenkins also won their home rink 15-14.

Although Bridport lost both rinks at BOURNEMOUTH, Mike Craddock, Erica Sarson Barbara Jenkins & Peter Hunt 23-22 and Rosie and Martin Wilton David Aylott & Gill Hunt 28-13, the home victories were enough to win 81-77 overall.

Bridport men lost all four rinks against DOLPHIN (Poole) second string in their latest Wessex League match going down 93-59. John Boxall, Mike Higman, Ken Sanger & Bob Taylor going closest to picking up two points, going down 21-18.

In the Ladies County League Division Two Bridport B lost at DOLPHIN C but picked up two points when Joan Griffiths, Anne Parkins, Barbara Jenkins & Sheila Nicol finished 1,4,3 for a 22-21 win.



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INSIDE: Comprehensive local sport round-up

Sloppy Bees slip to ten-man Mallet

Shepton Mallet 3 Bridport 2

Toolstation Premier – att: 92
A LACKLUSTRE final half hour saw Bridport throw away a two goal lead against a Shepton Mallet team that had been reduced to 10 men after 15 minutes.

It took a while for the Bees to find the net but goals either side of halftime seemed to put them in the box seat, but inexplicably Adam Fricker's men appeared to switch off, and the team play that has seen them move up to sixth spot in the Toolstation Western League Premier Division became a team of individuals more intent on their own performance.

Fricker told **View Sport**: "It's our own fault. We should never have been in that position. At 2-0 up against ten men we should have more than seen the game out and gone on to win a lot more comfortably, but we ended up losing."

After the second goal we completely switched off. It felt like eleven individuals out there going about their own jobs as opposed to the team and we

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lacked that bit of intensity that we've had, which was really disappointing."

Bridport started well and on 15 minutes were a man to the good when Jack Goodall was red carded for a foul on Ed Butcher that saw the Bees flying winger stretchered off with a gash on his thigh, a decision Fricker thought was harsh.

"It was right in front of us and there was no intent, I thought the lad was unlucky, although the injury will probably keep Ed out until the New Year."

Opening goal

Bridport finally took the lead on the cusp of half time when Leigh Bailey fired home from 15 yards after good work by Braeden Symes.

Rich Hebditch increased the advantage five minutes after the break with a superb curling 20-yard shot into the top corner.

At this point it should have been plain sailing for the Bees,

but Shepton took advantage of Bridport's lack of purpose and they pulled a goal back through captain James Billing.

It stayed like that until 10 minutes from time when Mallett were awarded a dubious penalty.

Harry Ratcliffe was a clear two yards offside then fell to the ground under a shoulder challenge from Andy Martin inside the box, from which Pollard scored.

To rub salt into the wound Bridport lost the ball in midfield before sloppy defending allowed player manager Craig Loxton to fire home an unexpected winner.

Fricker whilst annoyed with his charges late collapse was philosophical saying: "Whilst there were a few words at the end of the game, I told them they had won six of their last seven games so one poor 30 minute performance is not going to derail what they've achieved this season."

"We just need to get our heads down for Cadbury Heath on Saturday now."



■ WEST Dorset Hawks pictured before their recent 3-3 draw at home to OPM. Back (l-r) Giles Maltby, Simon Wakely, Dan Wyatt, Rick Steele, Richard Puzey. Front (l-r) Matt Stone, Russell Coombes, Tom Lowe (GK), Charles Davies, James Bowditch, Julian May.

Photo by **STUART BROOM**

Colfox runners in fine form in final league meeting



■ **GOOD PERFORMANCES:**
The Colfox teams pictured with Depury Headmaster Mike Hoffman at last week's South West Dorset Cross county meeting - see report inside. Photos: Top left - Year 7 Boys, top right - Inter Boys, bottom left Inter Girls, bottom right - Junior Boys.

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